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*(h) The secretarial, stenographic, clerical, and custodial employees of the Maryland Educational-Cultural Broadcasting Commission are members of the classified service under Article 64A of this Code, subject to all the rights, privileges, and duties of that article. All other employees of the Maryland Educational-Cultural Broadcasting Commission are not included in the classified service under Article 64A.*

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1968.*

Approved April 10, 1968.

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CHAPTER 224

(House Bill 319)

AN ACT to add new Section 27-2(a-1) to Article 33 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1967 Supplement), title "Election Code", subtitle "Absentee Voting", to follow immediately after Section 27-2(a) thereof, to provide for the use of emergency absentee ballots for voters unable to be present to vote on election day because of ~~sudden~~ illness or accident or because of absence caused by employment arising ~~immediately~~ before the election, and to provide the procedure for such absentee ballots and voting.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That new Section 27-2(a-1) be and it is hereby added to Article 33 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1967 Supplement) title "Election Code", subtitle "Absentee Voting", to follow immediately after Section 27-2(a) thereof, and to read as follows:*

27-2.

*(a-1) Within ten (10) days of an election and on the day of the election prior to the time the polls close, any person registered and otherwise qualified to vote may apply for an emergency absentee ballot if, as a condition of his employment, he is required to be absent from the State on the day of an election, or is unable to be physically present at the polls as a result of ~~sudden~~ illness or accident occurring after the time of making application for an absentee ballot. The application shall be made under oath, setting forth the reason why the voter is unable to be present at the polls on the day of the election and, in the case of absence because of employment, shall be accompanied by a statement under oath by the voter's employer stating that the voter will be unable to vote on election day because of absence caused by his employment, OR A CERTIFICATE FROM A DULY LICENSED PHYSICIAN STATING THAT THE VOTER, BECAUSE OF ILLNESS OR INJURY, IS CONFINED TO THE HOSPITAL OR BED AND WILL BE UNABLE TO VOTE IN PERSON AT THE POLLS, WHICH EVER IS APPLICABLE. Upon receipt of the application, the board, if satisfied that the person cannot, in fact, be present at the polling place on the day of the*