

CHAPTER 787

(Senate Bill 442)

AN ACT to propose amendments to Article II of the Constitution of Maryland, title "Executive Department," by repealing and re-enacting, with amendments, Sections 2, 3, 4, 5 and 7 thereof, and by repealing Section 6 thereof, and inserting new Sections 1A and 6, 6, AND 7A, amending the Constitutional provisions by CHANGING THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR GOVERNOR AND BY creating the office of Lieutenant Governor; providing for his initial appointment, qualifications and election; providing for gubernatorial succession, and the manner of impeachment of the Governor and Lieutenant Governor and relating generally to the office of Lieutenant Governor in Maryland; and providing for the submission of these amendments to the qualified voters of the State of Maryland for adoption or rejection.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, (three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses concurring), That amendments be proposed to Article II of the Constitution of Maryland, title "Executive Department," by repealing and re-enacting, with amendments, Sections 2, 3, 4, 5 and 7, and by repealing Section 6 thereof and inserting new Sections 1A and 6, 6, AND 7A, all to read as follows:*

1A.

There shall be a Lieutenant Governor, who shall have only the duties delegated to him by the Governor and shall have such compensation as the General Assembly shall provide by law. No person who is ineligible under this Constitution to be elected Governor shall be eligible to hold the office of Lieutenant Governor.

2.

An election for Governor and Lieutenant Governor, under this Constitution, shall be held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday of November, in the year nineteen hundred and seventy IF THIS AMENDMENT IS ADOPTED IN THE YEAR NINETEEN HUNDRED AND SIXTY-NINE; OR, FOR GOVERNOR IN THE YEAR NINETEEN HUNDRED AND SEVENTY AND JOINTLY FOR GOVERNOR AND LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR IN NINETEEN HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FOUR IF THIS AMENDMENT IS ADOPTED IN THE YEAR NINETEEN HUNDRED AND SEVENTY [fifty-eight], and on the same day and month in every fourth year thereafter, at the places of voting for Delegates to the General Assembly; and every person qualified to vote for Delegates, shall be qualified and entitled to vote for Governor and Lieutenant Governor; the election to be held in the same manner as the election of Delegates, and the returns thereof, under seal, to be addressed to the Speaker of the House of Delegates, and enclosed and transmitted to the Secretary of State, and delivered to said Speaker, at the commencement of the session of the General Assembly, next ensuing said election. *In the election, and under any method provided by law for political parties to nominate candidates, including primary elections, each candidate for Lieutenant Governor shall be listed on the ballot or otherwise considered for election or for*