

CHAPTER 126
(Senate Bill 461)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 2-6 (h) of Article 33 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1968 Supplement), title "Election Code," subtitle "Election Boards and Employees," amending the election laws with particular respect to the employees of the Board of Supervisors of Elections of Wicomico County.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 2-6 (h) of Article 33 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1968 Supplement), title "Election Code," subtitle "Election Boards and Employees," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

2-6.

(h) In Wicomico County the clerk of the board shall receive an annual salary of \$800.00. There also shall be a position of assistant clerk to the board with an annual salary of \$500.00. The salaries of the clerks shall be paid in equal quarterly installments by the County Council of Wicomico County; provided, however, that in the event of special elections or special services rendered, the County Council shall, at the request and recommendation of the board, allow additional compensation as they may deem commensurate with the special services rendered. *There shall also be the position of secretary to the board, at a salary and with such duties as established by the board from time to time.*

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1969.

Approved April 9, 1969.

CHAPTER 127
(Senate Bill 466)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 70 of Article 16 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1966 Replacement Volume), title "Chancery," subtitle "Adoption," providing that a person petitioning to become an adoptive parent shall not be denied an affirmative decree solely because he is single or without a spouse.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 70 of Article 16 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1966 Replacement Volume), title "Chancery," subtitle "Adoption," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

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Any person over twenty-one years of age may petition the court to decree an adoption. If the petitioner has a husband or wife living,