

the day for completion of a canvass after an election from the second Tuesday to the second Thursday; providing for and regulating the reporting of campaign contributions and expenditures by committees and treasurers of committees for political candidates located outside the State with respect to funds expended within the State; requiring election reports for all candidates for public or party office regardless of whether the candidates name appears on the primary ballot; and generally correcting errors and providing for other matters and provisions generally relating thereto.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Sections 1A-1 (e), 2-11 (a) (2), 2-11 (b) (1), 2-11 (b) (2), 3-12 (a), 3-22 (a), 4A-6 (b), 8-5 (a), 15-3 (a), 16-3 (b) (3), 16-4 (b), 16-5 (a), 16-5 (b), 16-5 (c), 16-5 (e), 16-6 (a), 16-6 (b), 16-11 (d), 16-11 (h), 17-5 (a), 17-5 (e), 17-8, 18-2 (b), 23-1 (a), 26-4 (b), 26-9 (b), 26-11 (a), 26-11 (c), 26-13 (a) and 26-18 (d) of Article 33 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume), title "Election Code," subtitles "State Administrative Board of Election Laws," "Election Boards and Employees," "Registration of Voters—How and By Whom Conducted," "Certificate of Candidacy," "Nomination by Petition," "Party Governing Bodies," "General Provisions for Voting," "Voting Machines," "Board of Canvassers," "Questions," "Fair Election Practices," be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, all to read as follows:

#### 1A-1.

(e) The State Administrative Board of Election Laws shall have the following powers and duties, including but not limited to:

(1) To exercise [advisory] supervision over the conduct of elections in the State.

(2) To adopt rules and regulations to assist the boards of supervisors of elections to comply with the requirements of this article in the conduct of registrations, voting and elections in the State and in otherwise fulfilling their duties under this article, ~~and such rules and regulations shall be binding upon the boards of supervisors of elections.~~

(3) To constitute a depository for such election records and relevant information concerning elections as may be provided by law or by administrative practice.

(4) To make an annual report to the General Assembly including recommended changes in this article to assure its uniform administration and improvement in the procedure for the conduct of registration, voting and elections.

#### 2-11.

(a) (1) It is the duty of the respective boards to appoint and to provide for furnishing, heating, lighting and cleaning, a suitable polling place in each precinct, which shall be as near the center of the voting population of the precinct as practicable. Whenever all three members of any board shall file in their office a statement in writing that a suitable place cannot in their judgement be secured in any precinct, a suitable place in an adjoining precinct may be