report upon contested elections affected by the use of such machine. If within two days after the results of the canvass are declared official, the board shall receive notice in writing of any contest over the result of said election, then such board, within five days from the receipt of such notice and in the presence of the principals involved in any such contest or their authorized representatives, shall proceed to inspect and examine the voting machines containing the votes cast for such contested office, and shall make a record of the votes for such office upon said machines. Such record shall be received as evidence as fully as if proved by the oral testimony of the persons who shall sign the same, or by the production of said voting machines in court or before said board. After such inspection, examination, and recording of the results thereof, and after permission to release the voting machines has been granted by the State Administrative Board of Election Laws, the said voting machines shall be released and made available for use in any succeeding election.

18-2.

(b) In conformity with the statements and determinations made as aforesaid by the Board of State Canvassers, or the several boards of canvassers, the Governor shall issue commissions to the different persons elected, as now provided by the Constitution and laws of this State.

23-1.

(a) Whenever a proposed Constitution or constitutional amendment or other question is to be submitted for popular approval to the voters of the State or local subdivisions thereof, the Secretary of State State Administrative Board of Election Laws shall certify the same to the boards on or before the fourth Monday in the month of July. Thereupon the board shall include the same in the publication provided for in Section 8-5 of this article. If questions of local concern are to be submitted for approval to the vote of the people of a county or a municipality the same shall be certified to the boards within said period by the county commissioners, county councils or treasurer of the City of Baltimore, as the case may be, and shall be advertised as herein provided in the case of nominees for county or city offices.

26-4.

(b) If any committee, including a political club, directly or indirectly, expends fifty-one dollars (\$51.00) or more to aid or oppose the nomination or election of any candidate, regardless of the purpose for which the committee is formed, the treasurer of the committee, or in the case of a political club an officer thereof, shall report, on the form prescribed in Section 26-12 of this article, a statement of contributions and expenditures to the treasurer appointed by the candidate being so aided, which statement shall be included in, or attached to, the statement of contributions and expenditures reported by the treasurer of the candidate as provided in Sections 26-11 and 26-12 of this article, however, a political club need only report that amount which is actually contributed to a candidate. The provisions of this subsection shall apply to any committees located outside of the State of Maryland with respect to any expenditures of funds within the State of Maryland.