SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1973.

Approved May 21, 1973.

CHAPTER 373

(Senate Bill 250)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 19-2 of Article 33 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume), title "Election Code," subtitle "Contested Elections," to authorize a court to declare null and void all or part of an election under certain circumstances and relating generally [[thereto.]] to evaluation by certain courts of detrimental conduct of certain election officials and certain remedies.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 19-2 of Article 33 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume), title "Election Code," subtitle "Contested Elections," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

19.2.

All cases of contested elections of any of the officers not provided for in the Constitution or in §§ 19-1 and 19-4 of this article, shall be decided by the judges of the several circuit courts, each in his respective circuits, or by the Superior Court of Baltimore City, in the City of Baltimore. IF THE COURT FINDS THAT MECHANICAL FAILURE, FRAUD OR NEGLIGENCE ON THE PART OF ANY ELECTION OFFICIAL OR [[OTHER THIRD PARTY]] [[THEIR]]HIS AGENT MATERIALLY CONTRIBUTED TO THE OUTCOME OF [[THE]] THAT PARTICULAR ELECTION, SUCH THAT WOULD AFFECT THE FINAL RESULT , THE COURT BY ORDER MAY DECLARE NULL AND VOID ALL OR PART OF [[THE]] THAT PARTICULAR ELECTION, AND THE COURT MAY FURTHER ORDER THAT ALL OR PART OF [[THE]] THAT PARTICULAR ELECTION BE REHELD.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1973.

Approved May 21, 1973.

CHAPTER 374

(Senate Bill 255)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 57(d) of Article 77A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Replacement Volume [[and 1972 Supplement]]), title "Higher Education," subtitle "Scholarships," to permit General State scholarship units to be used to defray all or part of the costs of