

Public Works, declare that the taxes required by this section shall not be collected or levied in such ensuing taxable year.

SECTION 8. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That all matters committed by this Act to the discretion of the Board of Public Works shall be determined by a majority of said Board.

SECTION 9. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That , if any portion (word, sentence, paragraph, proviso or section) of this Act shall be held invalid for any reason, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect, and such invalid portion shall be considered severed and deleted from this Act.

SECTION 10. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1973, contingent upon the passage of a bill increasing the aggregate maximum guarantee or insurance limits of the Maryland Industrial Development Financing Authority, and if such bill does not become effective, this Act shall be null and void without the necessity of further action by the General Assembly.

Approved May 21, 1973.

CHAPTER 425

(Senate Bill 711)

AN ACT to add new Section 3-1(c) to Article 33 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1972 Supplement), title "Election Code," subtitle "Registration of Voters-General Provisions," to follow immediately after Section 3-1(b) thereof, to provide for voter registration by mail in certain counties and Baltimore City under the supervision of the State Administrative Board of Election Laws and generally relating thereto to regulations and procedures for implementation of voter registration by mail programs.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That new Section 3-1(c) be and it is hereby added to Article 33 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1972 Supplement), title "Election Code," subtitle "Registration of Voters-General Provisions," to follow immediately after Section 3-1(b) thereof, and to read as follows:

3-1.

(c) IN HOWARD, HARFORD, PRINCE GEORGE'S AND MONTGOMERY COUNTIES AND BALTIMORE CITY, A VOTER REGISTRATION-BY-MAIL PROGRAM SHALL BE ESTABLISHED AND ADMINISTERED BY GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS PROMULGATED BY THE STATE ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD OF ELECTION LAWS FOR ALL FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL ELECTIONS, FOLLOWING THE GENERAL REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF THIS ARTICLE. REGISTRATION FORMS SHALL BE DESIGNED TO REQUIRE THE APPLICANT TO SUPPLY INFORMATION REQUIRED BY THIS ARTICLE, FOR THE REGISTRATION OF VOTERS TO ASCERTAIN THE QUALIFICATIONS OF THE VOTER APPLYING FOR REGISTRATION BY MAIL, AND TO PREVENT FRAUDULENT REGISTRATIONS. THE INFORMATION