

extended as provided in Section 3 (b) hereof. If]]  
[before said first day of June] [[, WITHIN 30 DAYS OF  
EITHER THE SIGNING BY THE GOVERNOR, OR THE OVERRIDING OF  
THIS VETO, OR WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER THE BILL BECOMES LAW  
WITHOUT THE SIGNATURE]] [[OF THE GOVERNOR, OR PRIOR TO  
THE LATER EFFECTIVE DATE SPECIFIED IN THE BILL, there  
shall have been filed with the Secretary of]] [the]  
[[State a petition to refer to a vote of the people any  
law or part of a law capable of referendum, as in this  
Article provided, the same shall be referred by the  
Secretary of State to such vote, and shall not become a  
law or take effect until thirty days after its approval  
by a majority of the electors voting thereon at the next  
ensuing election held throughout the State for Members of  
the House of Representatives of the United States. An  
emergency law shall remain in force notwithstanding such  
petition, but shall stand repealed thirty days after  
having been rejected by a majority of the qualified  
electors voting thereon; provided, however, that no  
measure creating or abolishing any office, or changing  
the salary, term or duty of any officer, or granting any  
franchise or special privilege, or creating any vested  
right or interest, shall be enacted as an emergency law.  
No law making any appropriation for maintaining the State  
Government, or for maintaining or aiding any public  
institution, not exceeding the next previous  
appropriation for the same purpose, shall be subject to  
rejection or repeal under this Section. The increase in  
any such appropriation for maintaining or aiding any  
public institution shall only take effect as in the case  
of other laws, and such increase or any part thereof  
specified in the petition, may be referred to a vote of  
the people upon petition.]]

[[3.

(b) If more than one-half, but less than the full  
number of signatures required to complete any referendum  
petition against any law passed by the General Assembly,  
be filed with THE Secretary of State]] [before the first  
day of June,] [[WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER IT HAS EITHER BEEN  
OVERRIDDEN BY THE GOVERNOR OR THE GOVERNOR'S VETO IS  
OVERRIDDEN, OR WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER IT HAS BECOME LAW  
WITHOUT THE GOVERNOR'S SIGNATURE, the time for the law to  
take effect, and for filing the remainder of signatures  
to complete the petition shall be extended]] [to the  
thirtieth day of the same month,] [[FOR THIRTY DAYS  
THEREAFTER, with like effect.]]

SECTION [[4]] 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That  
the foregoing section hereby proposed as an amendment to  
the Constitution of Maryland, at the next general  
election to be held in this State in November, 1974,