

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 98D(a) of the Public Local Laws of Allegany County being Article 1 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1963 Edition and 1973 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article 1

98D.

(a) At the time of the referendum to be held by the Board of Supervisors of Elections of Allegany County as hereinafter provided, the owners of real property within the special taxing district shall also elect a committee of five persons. Placement of a candidate's name on the ballot shall be upon the written petition of at least ten per cent (10%) of the registered voters within the district on forms prepared for that purpose by the Allegany County Board of Election Supervisors. The election shall be held in the following manner, to wit: one member of the committee shall be elected to serve for one year or part thereof; ONE MEMBER SHALL BE ELECTED TO SERVE FOR TWO YEARS OR PARTS THEREOF; ONE MEMBER SHALL BE ELECTED TO SERVE FOR THREE YEARS OR PARTS THEREOF; ONE MEMBER SHALL BE ELECTED TO SERVE FOR FOUR YEARS OR PARTS THEREOF; and one member shall be elected to serve for five years or parts thereof. The candidate receiving the greatest number of votes in the election shall serve for the longest term, provided that the tax district referendum passes. The candidate receiving the next greatest number of votes shall serve the next longest term, and so on until all the terms are filled.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety and having been passed by a ye and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved February 1, 1974.