

any of the county boards except in Allegany, Carroll, Charles, Howard, KENT, Prince George's, Montgomery and Washington counties for any cause shall be filled by the Governor for the unexpired term and until a successor shall qualify. Any member of a board shall be eligible for reappointment unless otherwise disqualified by the provisions of this section; provided however:

(1) [That] EXCEPT IN KENT COUNTY, THAT no person shall be eligible to serve more than two consecutive terms and

(2) That an incumbent member of a county board serving a full term as of July 1, 1969, shall be eligible for one additional full term.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That new Section 36E be and it is hereby added to Article 77 - Public Education, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Replacement Volume and 1974 Supplement) to read as follows:

Article 77 - Public Education

36E.

(A) (1) THE OFFICES HELD BY THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF KENT COUNTY ARE ABOLISHED ON DECEMBER 31, 1976. THE INCUMBENTS EXERCISING THE FUNCTIONS AND DUTIES OF THE BOARD ON THAT DATE SHALL HOLD OFFICE UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION AS INTERIM INCUMBENTS OF THE OFFICES PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION TO SERVE FOR SUCH TERMS AS SPECIFIED BY THIS SECTION AND UNTIL THEIR RESPECTIVE SUCCESSORS ARE ELECTED AND QUALIFIED.

(2) ON JANUARY 1, 1977, THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF KENT COUNTY IS COMPOSED OF FIVE MEMBERS ELECTED FROM THE COUNTY AT LARGE. ALL CANDIDATES ELECTED TO THE BOARD SHALL BE RESIDENTS AND REGISTERED VOTERS OF THE COUNTY. ANY MEMBER WHO CEASES TO BE A RESIDENT OF KENT COUNTY IS NO LONGER A MEMBER OF THE BOARD. THE TERM OF EACH MEMBER OF THE BOARD COMMENCES ON JANUARY 1 OF THE YEAR FOLLOWING THEIR ELECTION.

(3) THE MEMBERS OF THE KENT COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL HOLD OFFICE FOR A TERM OF SIX YEARS AND BE ELECTED AS FOLLOWS:

(I) TWO MEMBERS OF THE BOARD SHALL BE ELECTED IN THE NOVEMBER GENERAL ELECTION OF 1978, AND EVERY SIX YEARS THEREAFTER, TO REPLACE THE TWO INTERIM INCUMBENT MEMBERS OF THE BOARD WHOSE TERMS EXPIRE IN 1977