

of this article shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$500 or by imprisonment for not more than 2 months or by both fine and imprisonment.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1976.

Approved May 17, 1976.

CHAPTER 582

(Senate Bill 479)

AN ACT concerning

Election Code - Fair Election Practices

FOR the purpose of allowing the filing of a single affidavit in lieu of periodic campaign fund reports in certain cases; establishing daily late filing fees for certain persons for the late filing of certain reports; extending failure to file under certain circumstances to include incomplete forms; requiring that certain prior reports be filed and fees be paid before a person may become a candidate or treasurer; requiring administrative notification of possible referral for prosecution when certain reports or statements are overdue or not filed; providing for investigations and hearings, under certain circumstances, by the State Administrative Board of Election Laws and directing, upon proper determination, certain penalties for certain violations by elected public officials; relettering and renumbering in certain instances; clarifying language; providing for the effective date of this Act; and generally relating to fair election practices.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 33 - Election Code
Section 26-11(a) and 26-13
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1971 Replacement Volume and 1975 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Sections 26-11(a) and 26-13 of Article 33 - Election Code, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1975 Supplement) be and they are hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article 33 - Election Code