

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1976.

Approved May 17, 1976.

CHAPTER 596

(Senate Bill 640)

AN ACT concerning

Petitions for Referendum

[[FOR the purpose of clarifying the law pertaining to requirements for petitions for a referendum by providing that the signatures appear on separate papers; that the papers be of a certain size; requiring an affidavit; providing procedures for filing the petition; generally relating to referendum petitions; providing for a certain time for certification and filing of constitutional amendments and for filing certain questions arising under Article XIA of the Constitution of Maryland; transferring petition duties from the Secretary of State to the State Administrative Board of Election Laws; clarifying language; and making the effect of this Act subject to a certain contingency.]]

FOR the purpose of changing the date for certifying constitutional and other questions to local election boards; changing the date for filing questions arising under Article XIA of the Constitution; requiring the Secretary of State to prescribe forms for referendum petitions; prescribing certain requirements for referendum petitions; providing for the filing of such petitions with the Secretary of State; and making the effect of this Act subject to a certain contingency.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 33 - Election Code
Section 23-1(a) and (b), and 23-3[[, 23-5(a) and (c),
23-6(a) and (b), 23-7, and 23-10]]
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1971 Replacement Volume and 1975 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Sections 23-1(a) and (b), and 23-3[[, 23-5(a) and (c), 23-6(a) and (b), 23-7, and 23-10]] of Article 33 - Election Code, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1975 Supplement) be