

Annotated Code of Maryland
(1976 Replacement Volume and 1978 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article 33 - Election Code

5-2.

(a) The primary elections by the political parties for candidates for State offices and central committee shall be held throughout this State on the second Tuesday after the first Monday in September. The primary elections by the political parties in each year in which a national convention is held for the nomination of candidates for President and Vice-President shall be held throughout this State on the [third] SECOND Tuesday in May. A special primary election to fill a vacancy in the office of Representative in Congress shall be held on such date as the Governor shall specify pursuant to § 22-1 (b) of this article.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1979.

Approved May 1, 1979.

CHAPTER 127

(Senate Bill 716)

AN ACT concerning

Primary Elections - Presidential Candidates and
National Convention Delegates

FOR the purpose of altering the method of selecting district delegates and at-large delegates to a party's presidential nominating convention; requiring that presidential candidates receive a number of district delegates based on the percentage of the votes received in that district in the democratic presidential primary; requiring the district delegates to vote for this candidate on the first ballot taken at the democratic national convention; requiring the Secretary of State to place the names of candidates in the presidential primary upon the ballot by a certain date; requiring the Secretary of State to establish a procedure for the Democratic presidential primary whereby votes may be cast as uncommitted to any