

Bill No. 56

AN ACT proposing to amend Section 208 "Sessions of the County Council; quorum; rules of procedure" of Article II "The Legislative Branch" of the Howard County Charter in order to delete the requirement for an annual legislative session in May of each year, and clarifying language regarding the legislative procedure; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of Howard County for their adoption or rejection in accordance with Section 1001 of the Howard County Charter.

Effective Date July 28, 1980.

Bill No. 57

AN ACT proposing to amend Article II "The Legislative Branch" of the Howard County Charter by repealing and re-enacting Sections 209(c) (d) (f) (g) (h) and (i) thereof, titled "Legislative Procedure" to increase the time for public hearing from not less than seven days to not less than fourteen days after introduction of a bill; to require public hearings on resolutions confirming appointments by the Executive to boards and commissions; to clarify the time period for posting of proposed law; to require publication of the proposed law in one rather than two newspapers; to define the criteria for an emergency bill; to reduce the time between introduction of an emergency bill and a hearing thereon from not less than seven days to not less than 36 hours; to provide that emergency bills be posted within 4 hours of introduction; to clarify the effective date of bills; to provide for extension of the life of a bill upon a two-thirds vote of the Council; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of Howard County for their acceptance or rejection in accordance with Section 1001 of the Howard County Charter.

Effective Date July 28, 1980.

Bill No. 62

AN ACT proposing to amend Article IV "Offices, Departments and Boards" and proposing to enact new Article XI "Transitional Provisions" of the Howard County Charter to provide for re-organization of the executive branch; to provide for the organization of the executive branch until such time as a reorganization plan becomes effective; to clarify language regarding the executive offices, departments and boards; and submitting this amendment to the