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

Article 33 - Election Code

27-9.

(h) If the board determines that the provisions for filling out and signing the oath on the outside of the ballot envelope have been substantially complied with and that the person signing the voter's oath is entitled to vote under this subtitle in any precinct of their respective county or city, as the case may be, and has not already voted therein on election day, they shall open the ballot envelope and remove the ballot therefrom and place it in a ballot box or ballot boxes prepared for that purpose. When any ballot envelope is opened, the board shall enter in the appropriate register the fact that the voter whose name appears thereon has voted, using the initials "A.B." to indicate the vote has been by absentee ballot. If there be more than one ballot in the ballot envelope, all shall be rejected EXCEPT WHEN A-SPECIAL-ELECTIONS ARE HELD ON THE SAME DAY AND A VOTER IS VOTING IN BOTH ELECTIONS AND THE VOTER RETURNS BOTH ABSENTEE BALLOTS IN THE BALLOT ENVELOPE PROVIDED. Absentee ballots may be marked by any kind of pencil or ink.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1982.

Approved April 13, 1982.

CHAPTER 45

(House Bill 205)

AN ACT concerning

Natural Resources - Tree Expert Fees

FOR the purpose of increasing application, examination, and renewal fees relating to tree expert licenses.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Natural Resources Section 5-419(a) and (b)