

~~SECTION 2. -- AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland read(s) as follows:~~

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

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~~(a) -- As used in this article the following terms shall have the meanings indicated unless a contrary meaning is clearly intended from the context in which the term appears:~~

~~(1) -- "AFFIDAVIT" -- MEANS -- AN OATH THAT THE MATTERS AND FACTS SET FORTH IN THE PAPER WRITING TO WHICH IT PERTAINS -- ARE -- TRUE -- TO THE BEST OF THE AFFIANT'S KNOWLEDGE, INFORMATION, AND BELIEF.~~

23-2.

No petition for the election of a charter board, under the provisions of Article XIA of the Constitution of Maryland, title "Local Legislation," shall be accepted or filed by any board, unless all of the signatures attached to any such petition shall have been written thereon by the signers within six months of the date when such petition is presented to the board. In signing any such petition [in accordance with the manner prescribed in § 7 of said Article XIA of the Constitution,] every signer thereto shall place to the right of his or her name as and when signed, the date of such signature in his or her own handwriting. No action therein shall be taken by any board unless all petitions are filed within six months of the date of the first affidavit.

23-2A.

~~THE -- STATE -- ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD OF ELECTION LAWS SHALL PRESCRIBE THE FORM FOR PETITION FILED UNDER ARTICLE XI A OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION. -- THE SIGNATURES SHALL BE ON SEPARATE PAPERS, -- BEING -- NO -- MORE -- THAN -- 8 1/2 INCHES IN WIDTH AND 14 INCHES IN LENGTH, -- AND BEARING 1 OR MORE SIGNATURES, -- EACH PAPER -- SHALL -- CONTAIN A FULL TEXT, OR AN ACCURATE SUMMARY OF THE -- PROPOSED -- CHARTER -- AMENDMENT -- PETITIONED. --- TO --- EVERY PETITION --- (INCLUDING --- AN --- ASSOCIATED --- OR --- RELATED --- SET --- OF PETITIONS) -- THERE SHALL BE APPENDED TO THE SIGNATURE OF EACH SIGNER HIS RESIDENCE, -- AND IMMEDIATELY BELOW THE SIGNATURE OF ANY -- SUCH SIGNER, -- THERE SHALL BE EITHER PRINTED OR TYPED THE NAME OF SUCH SIGNER. -- THERE SHALL BE ATTACHED TO EVERY PAPER AN AFFIDAVIT, -- SIGNED UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY, -- TO THE EFFECT THAT THE SIGNATURES ARE, -- TO THE BEST KNOWLEDGE -- AND -- BELIEF, GENUINE -- AND -- BONA FIDE, -- AND THAT THE SIGNERS ARE REGISTERED VOTERS OF THE COUNTY OR CITY AS SET FORTH IN -- THE -- PETITION,~~