3-9A.

- (a) Within fifteen days after the commencement of the [four-month] period before a primary election in which voters already registered shall not be allowed to affiliate with a party or change party affiliation for purposes of this article, pursuant to § 3-8(b) of this article, and at other times as directed by the State Administrative Board of Election Laws, the board for each county of the State and for the City of Baltimore shall submit to the State Administrative Board of Election Laws a report of registration setting forth the following information, as shown on the books of the respective board as of the date of the commencement of the [said four-month] period:
- (1) The name of each political party with which one or more registered voters in their respective county or in the City of Baltimore are then affiliated; and
- (2) The total number of registered voters affiliated with each such political party.

4A-3.

- (A) (1) Except for certificates of candidacy filed by petition or write-in candidates and as otherwise provided herein, certificates of candidacy shall be received and filed in the office of the appropriate board not later than nine p.m. on the Monday which is ten weeks or seventy days before the day on which the primary election should be held under the primary election law.
- (2) If the filing date should occur on a legal holiday, the certificates must be received and filed not later than nine p.m. on the next regular business day which is not a legal holiday.
- (B) (1) Certificates of candidacy for an office to be filled by a special election pursuant to § 22-1(b) of this article, shall be received and filed in the office of the appropriate board not later than five p.m. on the Monday which is three weeks or twenty-one days prior to the special primary election which is to be held under the Governor's proclamation setting the date for the special primary election.
- (2) If the filing date should occur on a legal holiday, the certificates must be received and filed not later than five p.m. on the next regular business day which is not a legal holiday.

<u>7-1.</u>

(b)(3) For purposes of this subsection, the number of registered voters shall be determined as of the commencement of