(1997 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article 33 - Election Code

10 - 201.

- (a) (1) (i) Except as provided in subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph, each local board shall provide at least four election judges to be the staff for each polling place.
- (ii) In a precinct with fewer than 200 registered voters, the local board may provide two election judges for that precinct's polling place.
- (2) An election judge shall be appointed in accordance with the requirements of § 10-203 of this subtitle.
- (b) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, each polling place shall have an equal number of election judges from:
 - (i) The majority party; and
 - (ii) The principal minority party.
- (2) (i) If the total number of election judges for a precinct is six or more:
- 1. A local board may provide one or more election judges who are not registered with either the majority political party or principal minority political party; and
- 2. [In Prince George's County the] A local board may provide one or more election judges who are minors.
- $\ensuremath{\mbox{(ii)}}$ The number of election judges provided under this paragraph may not exceed the lesser of:
- 1. The number of election judges who belong to the majority party; or
- The number of election judges who belong to the principal minority party.

 10-202.
- (a) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, an election judge shall be a registered voter who resides in the county for which the election judge is appointed.
- (2) (i) If a qualified individual residing in the county cannot be found with reasonable effort, the local board may appoint a registered voter residing in any part of the State.