

[(vi)] (V) If a member who was elected from a specific legislative district ceases to reside in that district, the member may not continue to serve on the Central Committee.

~~SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 1 of this Act shall take effect October 1, 2002. It shall remain effective until the taking effect of Section 2 of this Act. If Section 2 of this Act takes effect, Section 1 of this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.~~

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 2 of this Act shall take effect on the taking effect of Chapter 291 (S.B. 1) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2002. If Section 2 of this Act takes effect, Section 1 of this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, subject to the provisions of Section 3 of this Act, this Act shall take effect ~~January 1, 2003~~ June 1, 2002.

Approved April 25, 2002.

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## CHAPTER 193

### (House Bill 32)

AN ACT concerning

#### **Veterinarians - Animal Cruelty - Reporting**

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners to adopt regulations ~~requiring~~ encouraging a veterinary practitioner to report suspected instances of certain animal cruelty to certain agencies; establishing certain civil immunity for a veterinary practitioner who makes certain reports of suspected animal cruelty to certain agencies; making certain stylistic changes; and generally relating to reports of suspected animal cruelty by a veterinary practitioner.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
 Article - Agriculture  
 Section 2-304 and 2-310  
 Annotated Code of Maryland  
 (1999 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
 Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings  
 Section 5-424  
 Annotated Code of Maryland  
 (1998 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)