

SECTION 7. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Sections 1 and 2 of this Act shall take effect January 1, 2003, contingent on the taking effect of Chapter 291 (S.B. 1) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2002, and if Chapter 291 does not become effective, this Act shall be null and void without the necessity of further action by the General Assembly.

Approved May 6, 2002.

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**CHAPTER 304**  
**(Senate Bill 184)**

AN ACT concerning

**Election Law - Voter Registration - Felons**

FOR the purpose of ~~removing the restriction that prohibits certain felons who have more than one conviction from being deemed qualified to register to vote~~ altering the qualifications for voter registration to allow an individual who has been convicted of a certain crime to qualify to be a registered voter if the individual, in connection with a first conviction, has completed the court-ordered sentence imposed for the conviction; altering the qualifications for voter registration for certain felons who have completed a certain sentence imposed upon them to allow an individual who has been convicted of a certain crime to qualify to be a registered voter if the individual, in connection with a subsequent conviction, has completed the court-ordered sentence imposed for the conviction and at least a certain number of years has elapsed since the completion of the court-ordered sentence; prohibiting certain individuals who are convicted more than once of certain crimes of violence from being qualified to be registered voters; providing for the termination of certain provisions of this Act a delayed effective date; and generally relating to the rights of certain felons to register to vote in the State.

~~BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,~~  
~~Article 33 - Election Code~~  
~~Section 3-102~~  
~~Annotated Code of Maryland~~  
~~(1997 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)~~

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Article - Election Law  
Section 3-102  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(As enacted by Chapter 291 (S.B. 1) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2002)

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