

~~SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:~~

Article - Election Law

3-102.

(a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, an individual may become registered to vote if the individual:

- (1) Is a citizen of the United States;
- (2) Is at least 18 years old or will be 18 years old on or before the day of the next succeeding general or special election;
- (3) Is a resident of the county as of the day the individual seeks to register; and
- (4) Registers pursuant to this title.

(b) An individual is not qualified to be a registered voter if the individual:

- (1) Has been convicted of theft or other infamous crime, unless the individual:
 - (i) Has been pardoned; or
 - (ii) 1. [In connection with a first conviction, has] HAS completed the COURT-ORDERED sentence imposed for the conviction, including probation, PAROLE, COMMUNITY SERVICE, RESTITUTIONS, AND FINES; OR

2. IN CONNECTION WITH A SUBSEQUENT CONVICTION, HAS COMPLETED THE COURT-ORDERED SENTENCE IMPOSED FOR THE CONVICTION, INCLUDING PROBATION, PAROLE, COMMUNITY SERVICE, RESTITUTIONS, AND FINES, AND AT LEAST 3 YEARS HAVE ELAPSED SINCE THE COMPLETION OF THE COURT-ORDERED SENTENCE IMPOSED FOR THE CONVICTION, INCLUDING PROBATION, PAROLE, COMMUNITY SERVICE, RESTITUTIONS, AND FINES;

- (2) Is under guardianship for mental disability; or
- (3) Has been convicted of buying or selling votes.

(C) NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, AN INDIVIDUAL IS NOT QUALIFIED TO BE A REGISTERED VOTER IF THE INDIVIDUAL HAS BEEN CONVICTED OF A SECOND OR SUBSEQUENT CRIME OF VIOLENCE, AS DEFINED IN § 14-101 OF THE CRIMINAL LAW ARTICLE.

~~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 4. 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, subject to the provisions of Section 3 of this Act, this Act shall take effect January 1, 2003.~~