

(1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, THE COUNTY COUNCIL, OR THE TREASURER OF BALTIMORE CITY, AS APPROPRIATE, SHALL CERTIFY TO THE LOCAL BOARD, NOT LATER THAN THE THIRD MONDAY IN AUGUST, A QUESTION TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS OF ONE COUNTY OR PART OF ONE COUNTY.

(2) (I) A QUESTION THAT HAS BEEN REFERRED TO THE VOTERS OF ONE COUNTY OR PART OF ONE COUNTY PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF AN ENACTMENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHALL BE CERTIFIED TO THE APPROPRIATE LOCAL BOARD, NOT LATER THAN THE THIRD MONDAY IN AUGUST, BY THE STATE BOARD.

(II) A QUESTION THAT HAS BEEN REFERRED TO THE VOTERS OF ONE COUNTY OR PART OF THAT COUNTY PURSUANT TO A PETITION FILED UNDER ARTICLE XVI OF THE MARYLAND CONSTITUTION SHALL BE CERTIFIED TO THE APPROPRIATE LOCAL BOARD, NOT LATER THAN THE THIRD MONDAY IN AUGUST, BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

(3) IF THE CERTIFYING AUTHORITY HAS NOT CERTIFIED A QUESTION BY THE THIRD MONDAY IN AUGUST, THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY SHALL CERTIFY THE QUESTION TO THE LOCAL BOARD NOT LATER THAN THE FOURTH MONDAY IN AUGUST.

(B) CERTIFICATION BY STATE BOARD.

THE STATE BOARD SHALL CERTIFY BALLOT QUESTIONS TO THE LOCAL BOARDS IN ACCORDANCE WITH TITLE 9, SUBTITLE 2 OF THIS ARTICLE.

DRAFTER'S NOTE: In subsection (a)(3) of this section, a provision previously applicable only in Howard County has been made statewide.

7-104. TEXT OF QUESTIONS.

(A) GENERAL GUIDELINES.

EACH QUESTION SHALL APPEAR ON THE BALLOT CONTAINING THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

(1) A QUESTION NUMBER OR LETTER AS DETERMINED UNDER SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION;

(2) A BRIEF DESIGNATION OF THE TYPE OR SOURCE OF THE QUESTION;

(3) A BRIEF DESCRIPTIVE TITLE IN BOLDFACE TYPE;

(4) A CONDENSED STATEMENT OF THE PURPOSE OF THE QUESTION;
AND

(5) THE VOTING CHOICES THAT THE VOTER WILL HAVE.

(B) DUTY TO PREPARE QUESTION.

(1) THE SECRETARY OF STATE SHALL CERTIFY TO THE STATE BOARD THE INFORMATION REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION, FOR ALL