

the straw ballot; and generally relating to the holding of a straw ballot in Caroline County.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That under the provisions of Article 33 - Election Code of the Annotated Code of Maryland, the Board of Supervisors of Elections of Caroline County, in consultation with the State Board of Elections, shall prepare and include on the ballot for the November general election of 1998 the following question:

"Do you favor an increase in the number of members of the Board of County Commissioners of Caroline County from three to five, to be elected by the voters of the County at large from three residence districts?"

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Board of Supervisors of Elections of Caroline County and the Board of County Commissioners of Caroline County shall do those things necessary and proper to place this question on the ballot prepared for the November general election of 1998, so that each participating voter in the County may have the opportunity to cast a vote on the question. The question shall be proposed, presented, tallied, and reported in general accordance with the provisions of Article 33 of the Annotated Code. The vote on this question is advisory only.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1998.

Approved May 21, 1998.

CHAPTER 718

(House Bill 923)

AN ACT concerning

Task Force to Study the History and Legacy of Slavery in Maryland

FOR the purpose of creating a Task Force to Study the History and Legacy of Slavery in Maryland; specifying the composition and duties of the Task Force; providing for the staffing of the Task Force; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the establishment of the Task Force to Study the History and Legacy of Slavery in Maryland.

BY adding to

Article 41 - Governor - Executive and Administrative Departments

Section 18-307

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1997 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)