

to voter registration activities and requirements at State public institutions of higher education in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 33 - Election Code

Section 3-204

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1997 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

(As enacted by Chapter 585 S.B. 118/H.B. 127) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1998)

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

Article 33 - Election Code

3-204.

(a) (1) The State Board shall designate public agencies and nongovernmental agencies as voter registration agencies where qualified individuals may apply to register to vote.

(2) The State Board shall designate the following offices as voter registration agencies:

(i) All offices in the State that provide public assistance; [and]

(ii) All offices in the State that provide State-funded programs primarily engaged in providing services to individuals with disabilities; AND

(III) ~~EACH STATE INSTITUTION~~ ALL PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN THE STATE.

(3) The State Board and the Secretary of Defense shall jointly develop and implement procedures for persons to apply to register to vote at recruitment offices of the armed forces of the United States, which shall be deemed voter registration agencies.

(b) ~~Each~~ EXCEPT FOR A PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN THE STATE, WHICH INSTITUTION SHALL COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION, EACH voter registration agency, as provided in subsection (a)(2) and (3) of this section, shall:

(1) Distribute a voter registration application approved by the State Board or the Federal Election Commission with each application for service or assistance it renders and with each recertification, renewal, or change of address form relating to such service or assistance;

(2) Provide a document to prospective registrants ~~OR ENROLLEES AND, IN THE CASE OF INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION, AT THE TIME THE INDIVIDUAL ENROLLS, REGISTERS, OR PAYS FOR COURSE WORK PROVIDED BY THE INSTITUTION,~~ that includes: