

STATE ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD OF ELECTION LAWS

Chairperson: James W. Johnson, Jr.

Appointed by Governor with Senate advice & consent: Margarette E. Crowder; Solomon N. Hoke; Barbara B. Kendall; Peggy Rae Pavlat. *Terms expire 1991.*

Gene M. Raynor, *State Administrator of Election Laws, 1993*

Marvin L. Meyn, *Deputy Administrator*

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Budget (Code 23.09.01)	
FY1989 Total Appropriation	\$1,491,711
General Funds	\$1,490,711
Special Funds	\$ 1,000
FY1989 Total Authorized Positions	15.9

Annual Report to General Assembly with recommendations for changes in the Election Code to assure its uniform administration and to improve procedures.

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STATE ADMINISTRATOR

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ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION

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Created in 1969, the State Administrative Board of Election Laws supervises the conduct of voter registration and elections in the State (Chapter 555, Acts of 1969). The Board adopts rules and regulations to help local boards of supervisors of elections with elections, voting, and voter registration. The Board reviews, approves, certifies, and decertifies voting systems and adopts regulations relating to them. The Board administers the Fair Election Practices Act, which regulates the financing of campaigns for State and county offices. In addition, the Board serves as a depository for election records and other relevant election information.

The law mandates additional duties for the Board. In odd-numbered years, the Board convenes a meeting with all members of boards of supervisors of elections of the counties and Baltimore City to

instruct them, their designated employees, and counsel on their duties in the conduct of elections. The Board also administers the voter registration-by-mail program.

Not prescribed by law but necessary to the Board's work are the review and monitoring of all election bills, constitutional amendments, and related referenda. Staff assistance is available to members of the General Assembly for consultation on election-related legislation. Local boards are advised of legislative hearing schedules and the status of pertinent bills.

The State Board publishes *Registration and Election Laws of Maryland 1988*, which is for sale to the public. The Board also has available primary and general election returns beginning with 1948. More recent returns are published in booklet form.

The State Board consists of five members appointed to four-year terms by the Governor with Senate advice and consent. Three members must be of the same political party as the Governor, while two members represent the party that received the second greatest number of votes in the most recent gubernatorial election.

The Governor appoints the State Administrator of Election Laws for a six-year term. The State Administrator receives and audits financial reports of candidates required under the Election Code. The State Administrator also serves as Secretary to the Board of State Canvassers (Code 1957, Art. 33, secs. 1A-1, 3-1(c), 16B-2, 18-1).

ENERGY OVERCHARGE RESTITUTION TRUST FUND BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Chairperson:

Louis L. Goldstein, *Comptroller of the Treasury*

Appointed by Governor: Frank P. Casula; Jack Daly; Harvey W. May, Jr.; William J. O'Byrne, Jr.; Susan P. Tippet; *one vacancy. Terms expire 1990.*

Ex officio: Charles L. Benton, Jr., *Secretary of Budget & Fiscal Planning*; Ruth Massinga, *Secretary of Human Resources*; Ardath Cade, *designee of Secretary of Natural Resources*; Elizabeth K. Moser, *designee of Secretary of Transportation*.

Ex officio (nonvoting): Laurence Levitan, *Chairperson, Senate Budget & Taxation Committee*; Clarence W. Blount, *Chairperson, Senate Economic & Environmental Affairs Committee*; Charles J. Ryan, *Chairperson, House Appropriations Committee*; John S. Arnick, *Chairperson, House Environmental Matters Committee*.

Howard C. FitzGerald, *Executive Secretary*