

and chosen by the direct vote of the duly registered voters belonging to or acting with such parties, respectively, in every precinct, ward, councilmanic, legislative, Congressional, judicial or other election district in Baltimore City, and also in the several counties of the State of Maryland, respectively, and in each and every election precinct and election district of each of said counties of the State of Maryland, respectively, it being the intent and purpose of this sub-title that all such candidates for public office, all delegates to party conventions and all managing bodies, executives or executive committees of any such political party, whenever the political party usage provides for such executives or executive committees, shall be nominated by the direct vote of the duly registered voters, belonging to and acting with such parties, respectively, in Baltimore City, or any precinct, ward, councilmanic, Congressional, judicial or legislative district thereof, or in any county, district or precinct thereof or in any Congressional or judicial district, as the case, with respect to any public office or place or position aforesaid, may be; and that no candidate for such public office, delegates to such conventions, party executive or executive committee, or managing body of any such political party, as aforesaid in and for Baltimore City or the several counties of the State, shall be chosen or elected by any such political convention or otherwise than by the duly registered voters belonging to or acting with said political parties as aforesaid, except as hereinafter otherwise provided.

It shall be lawful for all such parties aforesaid to elect and hold such party conventions which shall have full power and authority, in all respects, whatsoever, to act in respect to all matters appertaining to the organization, maintenance, conduct, affairs and interests of the party, in Baltimore City or in any county of the State, saving and excepting only the choice, selection, nomination or appointment of party candidates for such public office, delegates to such conventions, or party executives or managing bodies or executive committees, of any sort whatever, in and for Baltimore City, and the several counties and Congressional and judicial districts of the State.

Provided, that the candidates of such political parties for Governor, Attorney General, Comptroller, Clerk of the Court of Appeals of the State and United States Senator shall be nominated in the manner prescribed in this article by State conventions, and such State conventions elected by the direct vote in the same manner as the State conventions for the nomination of candidates for State offices, shall also elect as hereinafter set forth, delegates to national conventions and Presidential electors and the governing bodies of such political parties for the State, but shall have no power to select or appoint committee or governing bodies of any character for Baltimore City nor for any division thereof, nor for the counties of the State.

Any person who may be a candidate for the nomination of any party subject to the provisions of this sub-title for the office of President of the United States and who may desire to obtain the vote of the delegates from Maryland of any such party in its national convention may become a candidate for such nomination in primary elections to be held in accor-