

(c) *As used in this Section, "Election District" means the Districts defined in Sections 222 through 225 of this Article 18 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 edition), as enacted by Chapter 664 of the Acts of 1957.*

(d) *Any vacancy among the County Commissioners shall be filled in the manner provided by law by a resident of the same Commissioner's District as the person vacating the position; provided, that a vacancy among the Commissioners from the ~~Fourth~~ FOURTH Commissioner's District shall be filled by a person who is a resident of any of the election districts other than the election district of which another Commissioner is a resident.*

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1972, but nothing herein shall affect the term or qualifications of the County Commissioners in office on said date* THAT BEFORE THIS ACT BECOMES EFFECTIVE IT SHALL FIRST BE SUBMITTED TO A REFERENDUM OF THE LEGALLY QUALIFIED VOTERS OF QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY AT THE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN NOVEMBER OF 1972. THERE SHALL BE PRINTED ON THE BALLOTS OR BALLOT LABELS TO BE USED AT THIS ELECTION THE TITLE OF THIS ACT AND UNDERNEATH THE TITLE, ON SEPARATE LINES, A SQUARE OR BOX TO THE RIGHT OF AND OPPOSITE THE WORDS: "FOR INCREASING THE NUMBER OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO FIVE" AND A CORRESPONDING SQUARE OR BOX TO THE RIGHT OF AND OPPOSITE THE WORDS "AGAINST INCREASING THE NUMBER OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO FIVE" SO THAT EACH VOTER OF THE COUNTY MAY DESIGNATE HIS OR HER DECISION FOR OR AGAINST THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT. IF A MAJORITY OF THE VOTES CAST IN THE ELECTION ARE "FOR INCREASING THE NUMBER OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO FIVE" THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE ON DECEMBER 1, 1972, BUT IF A MAJORITY OF THE VOTES CAST IN THE ELECTION ARE "AGAINST INCREASING THE NUMBER OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO FIVE" THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT SHALL BECOME OF NO EFFECT AND SHALL BE NULL AND VOID.

SEC. 3. *AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, THAT SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 2 HEREIN AND FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF AUTHORIZING AND PROVIDING FOR THE REFERENDUM THEREIN REQUIRED THIS ACT SHALL TAKE EFFECT ON JULY 1, 1972, BUT NOTHING HEREIN SHALL AFFECT THE TERM OR QUALIFICATIONS OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS IN OFFICE ON SAID DATE.*

Approved May 31, 1972.

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CHAPTER 714

(House Bill 894)

AN ACT to add new Sections 167 through 176 to Article 83 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Replacement Volume and 1971 Supplement), title "Sales and Notices," to follow immediately after