

Court of Baltimore City, if those amendments are adopted by the qualified voters of this State at the General Election occurring in November, 1980.

(b) in the primary and general elections occurring in 1982, candidates for the office of Clerk of the Circuit Court for Baltimore City shall be nominated and elected.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect on July 1, 1980; however, this Act is contingent on the passage by the General Assembly of House Bill 1729 (01r3623) or Senate Bill 784 (01r0746) of 1980, which bills propose amendments to the Constitution of Maryland that relate to the creation of the Circuit Court of Baltimore City. If neither of those bills are passed, this Act shall be null and void without the necessity of further action by the General Assembly.

Approved May 20, 1980.

CHAPTER 526

(Senate Bill 787)

AN ACT concerning

Personnel Merit System - Office of the Clerk
of the Circuit Court for Baltimore City

FOR the purpose of creating a personnel merit system for employees of the proposed office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Baltimore City and specifying the functions of the system; providing for the appointment and functions of a director of that merit system; stating expressly that all employees of the proposed office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Baltimore City shall be employees of this State and subject to certain rights and responsibilities; specifying certain rights of those persons transferred to the new system; providing that if a person starts employment in certain positions that are authorized during a certain period before the personnel system takes effect under this Act, the person shall be a temporary employee, pending a decision as to the disposition of the position under the new system; exempting persons covered under this new merit system from the State Classified Service under Article 64A of the Code and making certain other corresponding changes in related provisions of law; generally relating to the transfer of certain employees to the proposed Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Baltimore City and, in particular, to the personnel merit system of that office and to the structure and operation of that merit system; and making this Act subject to a certain contingency.
