

(3) *Ex Officio Delegates.* There shall be no ex officio delegates to the Republican National Convention.

(4) *Selection of Alternates for Elected Delegates.* The elected delegation to the national party convention shall elect the alternate delegates to the convention.

(5) *Filling of Vacancies.* The entire delegation to a national party convention shall fill vacancies occurring in the office of delegate or alternate delegate.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety and having been passed by a ye and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March 1, 1972.

CHAPTER 7

(LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTING AND APPORTIONMENT ORDER NO. 1)

A LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTING AND APPORTIONMENT PLAN PURSUANT TO ARTICLE III, SECTION 5 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF MARYLAND, to repeal Sections 46, 46A, 46B, 46C, 47, 47A, 47B, and 47C of Article 40 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, (1971 Replacement Volume), title "General Assembly," subtitles "Subdistricts for the Senate" and "Subdistricts for the House of Delegates," and to enact new Sections 46, 46A, 46B, 47, 47A and 47B in lieu thereof, to be under the new subtitle "Legislative Districting and Apportionment Plan of 1972"; to provide for the districts for the election of members of the Senate of Maryland and for the districts for the election of members of the House of Delegates of Maryland; to prescribe the number of Senators to be elected from each Senatorial district and the number of Delegates to be elected from each Delegate district; to provide that the legislative districting and apportionment plan contained herein shall, for purposes of elections, be applicable to elections for members of the General Assembly beginning with the primary and general elections of 1974 and shall, for purposes of representation, be applicable beginning with the second Wednesday of January 1975; to repeal all laws or parts of laws inconsistent with the districting and apportionment plan contained herein; to declare that the plan is severable; and relating generally to legislative districting and apportionment in accordance with the provisions of Article III of the Constitution of Maryland.

SECTION 1. *Be it ordered by the Governor of Maryland pursuant to Article III, Section 5 of the Constitution of Maryland,* That Sections 46, 46A, 46B, 46C, 47, 47A, 47B and 47C of Article 40 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, (1971 Replacement Volume), title "General Assembly," subtitles "Subdistricts for the Senate" and