

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

Legislative Session _____ 1990 _____

Bill No. _____ CB-27-1990 _____

Chapter No. _____

Proposed and Presented by _____ Council Member Mills _____

Introduced by _____

Co-Sponsors _____

Date of Introduction _____

CHARTER AMENDMENT

AN ACT concerning

Amendment of Section 309, Charter of Prince

George's County

FOR the purpose of proposing an amendment to Section 309 of the Charter of Prince George's County to provide for the election of a Council Member in the event of a vancancy.

BY proposing an amendment to:

Section 309,

Charter of Prince George's County,

Maryland.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED by the County Council of Prince George's County, Maryland, that the following amendment to Section 309, Charter of Prince George's County, Maryland is hereby proposed:

Section 309. VACANCIES.

A vacancy in the Council shall exist upon the death or resignation of a Councilman, or upon forfeiture of office by a Councilman. When a vacancy has occurred, a majority of the remaining members of the Council shall [appoint a person] schedule a special election within ninety days, but not less than thirty days to fill the vacancy. [within thirty calendar days. If such appointee is to succeed a member of a political party, he shall be selected from a list of three names submitted to the Council by the Central Committee of the party to which the former member of the Council belonged. If the Council has not acted within thirty calendar days, the County Executive shall appoint a person to fill the vacancy within ten calendar days thereafter. If a person having held the vacant position was a member of a political party at the time of his election, the person appointed by the County Executive shall be selected from the same list that the Central Committee of that party has previously submitted to the Council. An appointee shall serve for the unexpired term of his predecessor. Any member appointed to fill a vacancy shall meet the same qualifications and residence requirements as the previous members; provided that] W[w]hen permitted by the Constitution of the State, the Council shall provide by law for the conduct of special elections to fill vacancies on the Council that occur during the [first two years of a] term.

SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that a copy of this Act be transmitted to the County Executive for publication and that a copy

also be transmitted to the Board of Supervisors of Elections for submission of the proposed amendment to the voters of this County at the 1990 General Election pursuant to Section 1105 of the Charter.

SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that the question of adoption of this proposed Charter Amendment shall be submitted to the voters of the County at the General Election occurring on November 6, 1990, and shall be placed on the ballot in the following form:

PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT

To provide that vacancies on the County Council shall be filed by special election.

Adopted this _____ day of _____, 1990, by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of the full County Council.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: _____
Jo Ann T. Bell
Chairman

ATTEST:

Jean M. Schmuhl, CMC
Clerk of the Council

APPROVED:

DATE: _____

BY: _____
Parris N. Glendening
County Executive

KEY:

Underscoring indicates language added to existing law.
[Brackets] indicate language deleted from existing law.