

such machines are to be used at least one hour before the time set for opening the polls.

The Supervisors of Elections of the several counties shall, not more than three days prior to every election and not less than one, make up into sealed packages for each precinct the two registers for said precinct, together with the cards of instruction and the key of the ballot box for each precinct in which paper ballots shall be used, having first placed in the ballot box the ballots for said precinct, the specimen ballots, the two poll books, and all blanks, indelible pencils and stationery required for such elections, and shall deliver or cause the same to be delivered to the judges of elections of the respective precincts at or before the end of the day preceding the day of election.

Said Boards of Supervisors of Elections of the several counties shall retain said surplus ballots equal to 25% of the total number of voters as shown by the registry books of any county as aforesaid in their care, or that of an official designated by them who shall supply them to any judge of election who shall make requisition therefor in writing, stating their first supply of ballots has been exhausted or that for any cause additional ballots are needed, the Board of Supervisors of Elections of the several counties shall, in like manner, keep a record of the time when such deliveries are made by them and of the particulars thereof. Said several Boards of Supervisors are hereby respectively authorized and directed to make adequate provision for the performance of the duty imposed upon them by this section, and the County Commissioners of the several counties and the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City shall pay the expenses incurred in the performance thereof. Should said Board of Supervisors fail or neglect to make the delivery by the time prescribed by this section, it shall be the duty of the judge, designated beforehand by the Supervisors, to take charge of the ballot box, as provided in Section 85 of this Article, or of the judges of election of any precinct of Baltimore City in which voting machines shall be used, to immediately send to the Supervisors therefor, and to obtain the same as soon as practicable, in order that the election may be duly held, the cost hereby incurred to be paid by the County Commissioners or the Mayor and City Council as the case may be as a part of the election expenses. For failure or neglect on the part of the Supervisors of Elections, the Police Commissioner or any person employed by them respectively in the discharge of the duties required of them by this section, or said judges, or any person employed by them to perform the duties imposed upon them respectively by this section, they shall respectively be subject to indictment for a misde-