

Employees," to delete the per annum salaries paid to the majority clerk, the minority clerk, and two registrars, and provide that these salaries be established in the annual appropriations resolution and levy in Montgomery County, and to provide that the board shall also employ and appoint sufficient and appropriate staff for the performance of duties required by Article 33.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 2-6(d) of Article 33 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Cumulative Supplement), title "Election Code," subtitle "Election Boards and Employees," be and is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

2-6.

(d) Montgomery County.—The board in Montgomery County shall employ and appoint a majority clerk [who shall be paid for his services as such \$2,400 per annum], a minority clerk [at a salary of \$2,400 per annum], and two registrars who shall constitute the permanent board of registry [at a salary of \$5,000 each per annum], and each member of the permanent board of registry shall be paid the [further] sum of \$1,200 per annum for the expenses incident to the operation of their automobiles. The board shall also employ and appoint [a stenographer and a clerk at a salary of \$3,600 each per annum and twelve clerks at a salary of \$3,000 each per annum] sufficient and appropriate staff for the performance of duties required by this article. All [such] salaries shall be established in the annual appropriations resolution and levy in Montgomery County [except that they may not be less than as specified as hereinabove]. The number of clerks and other employees appointed by the board for the majority party shall not exceed, at any time, the number of clerks or employees of the principal minority party by more than one. The majority clerk of the board and one person who shall be appointed by the Governor in the same manner and on the same terms and conditions as the members of the board are appointed and who shall belong to the principal minority party, and who will be the minority clerk, shall constitute the board of registry for the county.

~~The majority clerk as defined in this subsection shall be deemed an appointed official within the meaning of Section 11 of Article 73B of the Annotated Code of Maryland, and any amendments thereto, and shall be treated as such for all purposes of said Article 73B.~~

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect on July 1, 1970.

Approved April 28, 1970

CHAPTER 438
(House Bill 556)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 26-11(a) of Article 33 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Cumulative Supplement), title "Election Code," subtitle "Fair Election Prac-