

Registries deposited.

SEC. 27. *And be it enacted*, That the official registries shall be deposited by the judges of election within one week after every election, in the office of the clerk of Baltimore county court for safe keeping, and the said clerk shall deliver said registries to the registers of the several wards, on their applying for the same, whenever and so often as it may be necessary, for the purpose of correcting or adding to the lists of the voters, previous to any election, as provided by this law.

Entry on registries instead of record of name.

SEC. 28. *And be it enacted*, That it shall not be necessary for the clerks of the elections to keep a list of the names of the persons who may vote at their respective wards, but they shall enter opposite to the name of every person registered, the letter 'V.' in a line under the date on which said vote was given, and keep a tally of the number of votes as they are taken.

Elections not according to this act, void.

SEC. 29. *And be it enacted*, That any election held in the city of Baltimore, at which the provisions of this act shall not be observed, shall be, and the same is hereby declared to be, null, void, and of none effect.

Acts of 1837, ch. 149, &c. repealed.

SEC. 30. *And be it enacted*, That the act passed at December session, eighteen hundred and thirty-seven, chapter one hundred and forty-nine, entitled, an act to guard against frauds in the exercise of the elective franchise in the city of Baltimore, and all other acts or parts of acts, inconsistent with the provisions of this act, be, and the same are hereby repealed.

Ballot to be taken on this act.

SEC. 31. *And be it enacted*, That at the first registration of voters under this act, every person, on making his application to the registers to have his vote registered, and who may, by said registers, be adjudged to be entitled legally to vote, may declare his approval or disapproval of this act, and for that purpose the said registers shall provide a box in which the ballots of said legal voters shall be deposited, and the said ballots shall have written on them the words 'Registry,' or 'No Registry,' and the said ballots on the day of finally concluding said registry, shall be counted by said registers, and a certificate made out by them, of the number of ballots for the 'Registry,' and those for 'No Registry,' and the said certificates, together with the number of all the names of the legal voters, contained on said registries, shall be transmitted by said registers to the governor, and by him laid before the general assembly, at its next session, and if it be found on comparing the number of ballots with the words 'No Registry' on them, with the number of the names of all the legal voters registered, that a majority of said legal voters have decided against this law, notice of that fact shall be given to the governor, by the presiding officers of the two houses of the legislature, and the governor shall issue his proclamation, declaring this act, thenceforward, null, void, and of none effect, but if it shall appear that a majority of all the legal voters have

If against registering.

Proclamation. Null and void.