

BALLOT BOXES

99. **Construction of Ballot Boxes.** *All ballot boxes shall be constructed as follows: Each box shall be one foot outside measure, as near as may be in width and length, and eighteen inches in depth. It shall be strapped and secured on each edge and corner with brass mouldings, securely braced or soldered together at the junctions thereof, to prevent it from being easily broken. It shall have a strong wooden lid, which shall be fastened to the box with brass or iron hinges, not accessible from the outside, and shall have a good lock. There shall be a slit in the lid just large enough to admit a single folded ballot at one time, and the sides and bottom of the box shall be of clear plate glass not less than one-eighth of an inch in thickness. Each such box, when not in actual use at a polling place, shall be kept in a wooden case for the protection of the same and its contents in the transportation and storage thereof.*

ELECTION SUPPLIES

100. **Distribution of Election Supplies.** *(a) Baltimore City. The Supervisors of Elections of Baltimore City shall deliver to the Police Commissioner of Baltimore City, not more than three days and not less than one day preceding the election, the binders containing the precinct cards of every precinct of said city, together with the cards of instruction therefor, and the ballot box for each precinct in which paper ballots shall be used, the latter being locked, with the key in the lock, and containing the package of ballots for said precinct, and the specimen ballots, the specimen ballot labels for the precincts in which voting machines shall be used, and all blanks, indelible pencils, stationery and other equipment and supplies required for such election. The said Police Commissioner shall give a receipt therefor, and shall deliver or cause the same to be delivered to the judges of election of the respective precincts at or before the opening of the polls on the day of election. Said Board of Supervisors shall keep a record of the time when such deliveries are made by them and of the particulars thereof.*

(b) Counties. The Supervisors of Elections of the several counties, not more than three days prior to every election and not less than one, shall make up into sealed packages for each precinct the two registers or the binders containing the precinct cards 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, the specimen ballot labels for precincts in which voting machines shall be used, and all blanks, indelible pencils, stationery and other equipment and supplies required for such elections. They shall deliver or cause the same to be delivered to the judges of election of the respective precincts at or before the end of the day preceding the day of election. They shall also cause the voting machines to be delivered at the polling places in which such machines are to be used at least one hour before the time set for opening the polls.

(c) Failure of Delivery. Should any such 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, as provided in Section 117 of this Article to take charge