

forty-eight hours from the entry of the decision of the lower court complained of, and all such appeals shall be heard and decided on the original papers, including a typewritten transcript of the testimony taken in such cases, by the Court of Appeals, as soon as possible after the same have been transmitted to said Court. Said original papers, including the testimony shall be transmitted to the Court of Appeals within five (5) days from the taking of the appeal.

**27-11. General powers of Secretary of State and boards.**

The Secretary of State and the boards are hereby severally authorized and empowered to do any and all acts, the carrying out of which is committed to them by any act of Congress providing for voting by persons who are absentee voters, and to accept and expend any funds made available to him or them or to the State of Maryland by Congress for the purpose of defraying the costs and expenses incurred in connection therewith, including their services. The Secretary of State and the several boards are hereby severally authorized and empowered to use any and all facilities that may be furnished by the United States or any department, commission or agency thereof, pursuant to any act of Congress or otherwise, for the purpose of transmitting to and from absentee voters applications for absentee ballots, envelopes, instructions and all other printed matter that may be permitted to be transmitted by any act of Congress and generally to cooperate in every way with military and civil officers of the United States and with all such departments, commissions and agencies thereof in order to enable such persons to vote.

**27-12. Authority to change ballots and materials to conform to congressional act.**

If any act or acts of Congress, now or hereafter in effect, providing for voting by mail of all or any of the persons who are absentee residents or voters, as defined in this subtitle, requires the execution of an oath on the ballot envelope, or otherwise, or requires other printing on any of said ballot material, which is different from that required on the ballot envelope or other ballot material as provided in this subtitle, such ballot if completed in accordance with such act of Congress, whether or not completed in accordance with this subtitle, shall be accepted as having complied with the requirements of this subtitle, provided any such change does not conflict with any provision of the Constitution of this State and shall not provide or prescribe any oath which would not furnish the information needed to enable any board to register the affiant as a qualified voter under the Constitution of this State.

**27-13. Compensation of supervisors.**

Whenever the provisions of this subtitle are enforced at any election the board in Baltimore City shall be entitled to receive, in addition to the compensation now paid to them, the further sum of \$200 for each member for every such election, and the board members in the several counties, except Calvert County, and their respective clerks, in addition to the compensation now allowed them, shall each be entitled to receive such additional sum for services actually rendered in the performance of their duties under this subtitle as shall be allowed them by the county commissioners or