

without requiring any evidence to be taken or proof submitted, to review the actions of the Judges of Elections and recount the ballots in the precincts named in said petition in said county, city, legislative district, ward or other political division thereof as the case may be.

Said review, recount and recanvass shall be had with all possible expedition and dispatch and in preference to all other business under such mode of procedure as the Supervisors of Elections shall prescribe by means of tellers appointed by them on the recommendation of and with equal representation to the opposing candidates. The said supervisors to pass upon and decide whether any ballot contested by the teller for either side shall be rejected or counted. They shall sit for said purpose in the court room of the Superior Court of Baltimore City or of the Circuit Court for the county as the case may be every day, including Saturdays, at least from nine o'clock A. M. to five o'clock P. M., with one hour's intermission for lunch until said review, recount and recanvass is completed. Said recount shall be had in the presence of the candidates or their representatives and of the press and general public. Upon the completion of said recount and recanvass the said Supervisors shall award the costs of the same as follows:

If the result in such county, municipality, legislative district or other district or political division as returned by the judges of election is changed thereby or if there is a change thereby of two per cent. of the total votes recounted the costs shall be awarded against the municipality or county in which said recount is held. But if the result in such county, municipality or legislative district or other political division is not changed thereby nor two per cent. or more of the votes therein recounted is found to have been erroneously counted, then the costs shall be awarded against the petitioner, and his bond, if given as above, shall be liable therefor.

In case said petition only specifies a part of the precincts in which the petitioner was voted for and if on completion of said review and recount of such specified precincts the result of the count of the judges of election in said county, municipality, district or other political division is thereby changed, then the opposing candidate thus affected may appeal within two days of the said determination, to said Supervisors of Elections from the action and decision of the judges of election in counting the ballots in the remaining precincts of said county, municipality, ward, legislative district or other political division in which he was voted for and ask them to recount and recanvass said remaining precincts, which they shall immediately proceed to