

heretofore made by any Supervisors of Elections of the several counties of the State of Maryland.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That section 125 of Article 33 of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland of 1904, be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments so as to read as follows:

125. It shall be the duty of the Boards of Supervisors of Elections of the several counties, to examine the boundaries of the several election districts and election precincts in their respective counties, from time to time, and whenever in their judgment and discretion it shall be expedient for the convenience of the voters, to subdivide any of said election districts or election precincts, or to subdivide and change the boundaries of any two or more precincts in any election district into three or more precincts, they are hereby empowered and authorized to make such subdivisions and to establish the boundaries of such subdivisions in such way as to facilitate and expedite the casting of their ballots by the voters thereof, either by the designation of an entirely new and different polling place or places, or by providing for two or more separate polling places at or near the former polling place or places; provided, however, that no election district shall be subdivided into two or more precincts that has not an excess of six hundred voters; and no precinct or group of precincts in any district shall be subdivided unless one or more of said precincts so intended to be divided, shall contain an excess of six hundred voters; and whenever, in the exercise of the discretion conferred upon the several Boards of Supervisors of Elections of this section, they shall subdivide any election district or election precinct or precincts, they shall appoint officers of registration and judges and clerks of election therefor, as in this article provided, who shall have all the powers, perform all the duties, be subject to all the responsibilities and be liable to all the penalties prescribed in this article for officers of registration, judges and clerks of election. All the members of the Boards of Supervisors for the several counties whenever any such district, precinct or precincts is or are divided as herein provided, shall sign their names to the books which contain the names copied from the original books for such new district, or precinct in the hands of such supervisors, and shall duly certify that said new books contain all the names of the persons entitled to vote in such newly established district or precinct, such said certificate shall appear on the blank line next following the last name in each