

elections conducted in the manner prescribed by the laws pertaining to primary and general elections.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That the Board of Election Supervisors in Baltimore City are authorized to pay for three voting machines selected by them out of any moneys appropriated for election purposes.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That any act on the part of voters or election officials which shall have for its purpose the obstruction of a free, untrammelled and unpurchased exercise of the election franchise, or which shall interfere in any way with a correct return of the vote cast, or any violation of the rules and regulations provided by the said Boards of Election Supervisors in the use of said voting machines, shall subject each offender to a fine of not more than one thousand dollars (\$1000.00), or to imprisonment in jail for not more than ten years, or to both fine and imprisonment, at the discretion of the Court.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 11, 1912.

CHAPTER 544.

AN ACT to repeal Chapter 400 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed at the Session of 1908, entitled An Act concerning primary elections for the nominating of candidates of political parties in this State for the position of United States Senator, and providing penalties for the violation thereof, as added to and amended by Chapter 441 of the Acts of 1910, and in lieu thereof to add five new sections to Article 33 of the Code of 1904 of Public General Laws of Maryland, title "Elections," under the new sub-title "Senatorial Nominations," to follow section 51 of said article, and to be known and designated as sections 51A, 51B, 51C, 51D and 51E, the same providing for the direct nomination by the people of candidates of each party for the office of United States Senator and the election by the Legislature of one of the candidates so nominated.

(Vetoed.)