

shall constitute no defense to a prosecution for a violation of the provisions of this article. Every act, which by the provisions of this article or the laws of the State, is made a crime when committed with reference to the election of a candidate, shall be equally criminal and subject to the same punishment when committed with reference to a proposition to be submitted to the people to be decided by the votes cast at an election.

See sec. 173.

An. Code, sec. 117. 1904, sec. 115. 1896, ch. 202, sec. 109.

125. It shall be the duty of the supervisors of elections to aid in the prosecution of all crimes and offenses against this article, and when, in the judgment of the supervisors, there is probable cause for believing that an offense has been committed, it shall be their duty to cause a prosecution to be instituted in accordance with the provisions of this article.

See sec. 173.

Compensation.

An. Code, sec. 118. 1904, sec. 116. 1888, sec. 84. 1860, sec. 45. 1896, ch. 202, sec. 110. 1906, ch. 544, sec. 116. 1920, ch. 512, sec. 118.

126. The sheriffs in the several counties shall, respectively, be allowed the sum of twelve dollars (\$12.00) for each election held in their county for the performance of the duties therein required, to be levied as other county charges; provided, that when two or more elections are to be held the same day the sheriff shall not be allowed more than twelve dollars for such election (except in Baltimore City); all judges, whether acting as or sitting as officers of registration, and clerks of election, shall be allowed and paid three dollars per day; fractions of a day shall be allowed for at the rate of thirty cents an hour. In the City of Baltimore, in the year 1907, and thereafter, the judges when acting as officers of registration shall be allowed and paid eight dollars a day, and all judges and clerks when sitting as officers of election shall be allowed and paid ten dollars for each election conducted by them; each judge and each clerk of election who has performed all the duties and services required of him by this article shall be allowed pay for his time as above provided. When any judge or clerk does not perform all the services required by this article, then such board of supervisors of elections shall audit his time and allow him compensation only for the time during which he has actually served.

Compensation of officers of registration under act of 1822, ch. 22, extended to the time occupied in making and publishing lists of persons registered, as well as to that consumed in actual registration, the number of days so occupied not to exceed five. *Ryninger v. Keating*, 60 Md. 334.

1920 (special session) ch. 1, sec. 118A.

127. The compensation of all judges and clerks of elections in the City of Baltimore and in the Counties shall be increased two dollars (\$2.00) per day over and above the amount now allowed and paid under existing provisions of law. The Boards of Supervisors of Elections of the several counties shall have power, with the consent of the County Commis-