

vided, also, that any right, liability, privileges and protection in respect to any matter or thing committed or done before April 2, 1896, shall continue and be of the same force and effect as if the said laws or parts thereof had not been repealed; and every action, prosecution or other proceeding which shall have commenced before April 2, 1896, or shall thereafter be commenced in respect to any such matter or thing done before April 2, 1896, may be prosecuted, continued and defended in the same manner as if said laws or parts thereof had not been repealed; and provided, also, that nothing in this article shall be construed to repeal any provisions of the existing laws applicable to the city of Baltimore for the prevention of the sale or dispensing of any liquor or for the preservation of peace and order therein on any election day.

See sec. 15 and notes; also, sec. 97, *et seq.*

Election Expenses and Prohibition of Corrupt Practices at Elections.

An. Code, sec. 163. 1908, ch. 122.

174. The provisions of this sub-title shall apply to all elections of all officers for whom ballots shall be cast pursuant to the provisions of this article of the code of public general laws, and to the election of all officers by the general assembly of Maryland and to all primary elections preliminary to any such other elections, and to all candidates to be voted for at any such elections or primary elections, and the term "primary elections" shall include, (a) all elections held to nominate a candidate for any public office, or to elect delegates to a nominating convention; (b) nominating conventions of such delegates; (c) caucuses of members of the general assembly.

This section referred to in construing sec. 181—see notes thereto. *Usilton v. Bramble*, 117 Md. 16.

See sec. 221.

An. Code, sec. 164. 1908, ch. 122. 1912, ch. 228, sec. 162.

175. The term "Political Committee," within the meaning of this sub-title, shall include every committee or combination of two or more persons to aid or promote the success or defeat of any political party or principle in any election, or of any proposition submitted to vote at a public election, or to aid or take part in the nomination or election of any candidate for public office. The term "Treasurer" shall include all persons appointed by any political committee or candidate for nomination or election to any public office, to receive or disburse moneys to aid or promote the success or defeat of any such party, principle or candidate. The term "Political Agent" shall include all persons appointed by any candidate before any election, or primary election, to assist him in his candidacy. No person shall act as any such treasurer or political agent unless, after his appointment, and before the primary or election for which he is appointed, a writing signed by the political committee or candidate appointing him and designating him as such treasurer or political agent, shall be filed with the Secretary of State, except that in case the duties of such