

with the Supervisors of Elections, with the Board of Supervisors of Elections not later than the day on which the primary election is held or should be held under the primary election law; and in case of any vacancy which may exist in respect to any office or Delegates to Convention, by reason of there being no candidate to file for the same in any such primary election such vacancy shall be filled and the certificate of nomination filed with the Secretary of State or the Board of Supervisors of Elections as the case may be, not later than the day on which the primary is held or should be held under the primary election law.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 58. 1912, sec. 50. 1904, sec. 49. 1896, ch. 202, sec. 45.
1927, ch. 244.

58. Whenever any person nominated for public office as in this Article provided, shall at least fifteen days before election, in a writing signed by him and acknowledged before a Justice of the Peace or a Notary Public, notify the officer with whom the certificate nominating him is by this Article required to be filed, that he declines such nomination, such nomination shall be void, and the name of any person so withdrawing shall not be printed upon the ballots. Whenever any person who has filed a certificate of candidacy for nomination in any primary election shall at least fifteen days before the day of such primary election, in a writing signed by him or her, and acknowledged before a Justice of the Peace or Notary Public, notify the officer or Board with whom the certificate of candidacy is by this Article required to be filed, that he or she desires to withdraw as a candidate for such nomination, such certificate of candidacy shall thereupon be and become void, and the name of any person so withdrawing shall not be printed upon the ballots to be used at such primary election.

Ballots and Ballot Boxes.

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This section referred to in sustaining local election law for Havre de Grace. See notes to sec. 97. *Moore v. Bay*, 149 Md. 294.

Count of the Ballots.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 80. 1912, sec. 73. 1904, sec. 71. 1896, ch. 202, sec. 66.
1901, ch. 2. 1908, ch. 576. 1912, ch. 492. 1914, ch. 225, sec. 71.
1927, ch. 370.

80. The judges shall open the ballot box and count and announce the whole number of ballots in the box. They shall reject any ballots which are deceitfully folded together, and any ballots which do not have indorsed thereon the name or initial of the judge who held the ballots, or if there shall be any mark on the ballot other than the cross-mark in a square opposite the name of a candidate, or other than the name or names of any candidates written by the voter on the ballot as provided in Section 62, such ballot shall not be counted. Ballots not counted for such defects shall be marked "Defective," on the back thereof and shall be wrapped in a separate package and returned to the ballot-box as hereinafter directed.