

three tax collectors, one for each of said tax collection districts, which collectors shall hold their office for a term of two years, beginning on the first Tuesday of April next after their election, or until their successors are elected and qualified; and said collectors shall be subject to removal from their said office by the County Commissioners of Allegany County for any neglect of duty, misbehavior in office or incompetency, at any time.

1898, ch. 179, sec. 42A. 1900, ch. 534. 1910, ch. 115, sec. 42A (p. 497). 1912, ch. 466. 1914, ch. 358. 1918, ch. 164. 1922, ch. 8. 1924, ch. 73. 1927, ch. 423.

117. The Tax Collectors for each of said Tax Collection Districts shall have been bona fide residents of the several collection districts for which they shall have been appointed for at least five years before their appointment, and shall be at least twenty-five years of age, and shall not be related directly or collaterally within the third degree (nor married to anyone so related) to any member of the Board of County Commissioners, making such appointment; and the said Collectors shall not be eligible for re-election for the term next ensuing; and each of said Collectors before entering upon the discharge of his or her duties shall give bond conditioned for the faithful performance of his or her duties in the collection of State and County taxes in the penalty, and with the conditions as now provided for Tax Collectors' bonds by Section 32* of Article 81 of the Code of Public General Laws of the State of Maryland, with personal or corporate surety or sureties to be approved by the County Commissioners, except that the penalty in the said bond of said Collector for the collection of the County taxes for the First Tax Collection District shall be in the sum of one hundred thousand dollars; the penalty in the bond of said Collector for the collection of County taxes for the Second Tax Collection District shall be in the sum of fifty thousand dollars, and the penalty in the bond of said Collector for the collection of County taxes for the Third Tax Collection District, shall be in the sum of fifty thousand dollars; and said County Commissioners, at their April session in the year 1927 and in each year thereafter shall, before said Collectors enter upon the performance of their duties, fix the salary or compensation of each of said tax collectors for the ensuing year, to be paid by the Commissioners, and not retained out of the collections by the Collector, which amount so fixed by said Commissioners, shall be in full of all compensation of every kind to be paid the said Collectors for collecting the State and County taxes, so placed in their hands for collection from year to year, and Section 31 of Article 81 of the Code of Public General Laws so far as the same relates to Allegany County is hereby repealed, except as hereinbefore provided; and the salary or compensation shall be upon a commission basis to be determined by the County Commissioners, but said Commission shall not exceed one per centum for the First Tax Collection District, nor three per centum for the Second and Third Districts, respectively, provided that the compensation in said

*Refer to sections of Art. 81 as they existed prior to 1929. See 1929 Supplement to Annotated Code, secs. 50-52.