

## ARTICLE 76.

### PUBLICATION OF LAWS.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 4. 1912, sec. 4. 1904, sec. 4. 1888, sec. 4. 1865, ch. 31.  
1870, ch. 274. 1872, ch. 410. 1874, ch. 32. 1902, ch. 390.  
1908, ch. 257. 1935, ch. 341.

4. Every public local law made to take effect before the first day of June next after the session at which it may be passed, shall immediately after its passage be published once in each of three successive weeks in such newspaper or newspapers of the respective counties in which it may operate as the county commissioners of each county may direct; and in case such law is to be operative in the City of Baltimore, then once in each of three successive weeks in such daily newspaper or newspapers published in said city, as the mayor thereof may direct; and the mayor and city council of Baltimore and the county commissioners of the several counties shall provide for the payment of such publication; provided, that as to Prince George's County, the county commissioners thereof shall direct the publication of such laws once only in three newspapers published in different sections in said county, the papers designated for such work to be in the discretion of the county commissioners, the total cost of which shall not exceed \$600.00, and no discrimination shall be made by said commissioners as to the amount each of the three newspapers so designated shall receive for such work.

This section is directory but not mandatory, or a condition precedent. *Culp v. Commrs. of Chestertown*, 154 Md. 624.