

An. Code, 1924, sec. 178. 1912, sec. 167. 1908, ch. 122. 1912, ch. 228, sec. 165.

217. No person other than a treasurer or political agent shall pay any of the expenses of any election or primary election, except that a candidate may pay his own expenses for postage, telegrams, telephoning, stationery, printing, advertising, publishing, expressage and traveling and board. The payments, expenditures, promises and liabilities which any candidate for nomination or for election may make or incur, directly or indirectly, whether in money or other thing of value, under this or the preceding section, shall not exceed in the whole ten dollars for each one thousand (or the major portion thereof) up to fifty thousand, and five dollars for each one thousand (or the major portion thereof) in excess of fifty thousand of the registered voters qualified to vote for the office in question at the next preceding election therefor, all to be paid, handled and disbursed by a treasurer or political agent, and not otherwise; and any payment, contribution, expenditure of, or promise or liability to pay, contribute or expend any money or valuable thing in excess of said sum, shall be unlawful; provided, however, that a candidate for nomination or for election may pay personally in addition to said sum or valuable thing or things amounting thereto, his own expenses for postage, telegrams, telephoning, stationery, printing advertising, publishing, expressage, traveling and board (provided, further, that any payment, expenditure, contribution, promise or liability which may be made or incurred, directly or indirectly, by the wife of any candidate for an office or nomination shall be charged against the candidate as if made by the candidate himself); and provided, further, that nothing in this sub-title shall be taken or construed to prohibit the chairman of the State Central Committee of the State or of any county or of the City of Baltimore of any political party from soliciting contributions for campaign purposes, which contributions, however, shall be expended in accordance with and subject to the provisions and restrictions of this sub-title.

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218. It shall be lawful for any treasurer or political agent in connection with any election, or primary election, and in making provisions therefor, to pay the following expenses: (a) of hiring of halls and music for the conventions, public meetings and public primaries and for advertising the same; (b) of printing and circulating political articles, circulars, pamphlets and books; (c) of printing and distributing sample or specimen ballots and instructions to voters, subject, however, to such prohibitions or restrictions as may be imposed by this article upon the publication and distribution of such sample or specimen ballots or instructions; (d) of renting rooms and headquarters to be used by political committees; (e) of compensating clerks, stenographers and typewriters employed in the committee-rooms, and also of challengers and watchers employed in the registration rooms, in the voting-rooms and at the polls; (f) the traveling and other legitimate expenses of political agents, committees and public speakers; (g) of necessary postage, telegrams, telephoning, printing expenses and conveyance charges for carrying persons to and from the polls, or to and from the office of registration; (h) the cost and expenses of messengers sent by direction of the chairman of the State Central Committee of any political party in connection with party matters or interests, and also the cost and expenses of any person or persons summoned by or at the instance of the chairman of the State Central Committee of any political