

any of the provisions of this sub-title within the county for which said state's attorney may be acting as such, or any resident of such county who may have violated any provisions of this sub-title in such county or in any other part of the State. And in any criminal prosecution under this sub-title or for violation of any of the provisions thereof, no witness, except the person who is accused and on trial, shall be excused from answering any question or producing any book, paper or other thing on the ground or claim that his answer, or the thing produced or to be produced, by him may tend to incriminate or degrade him, or render him liable to a penalty, but his answer, or the thing produced by him, shall not be used in any proceeding against him, except in a prosecution for perjury in so testifying.

Primary Elections.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 190. 1912, sec. 178. 1908, ch. 737, sec. 160A. 1910, ch. 741, sec. 160A (p. 113). 1912, ch. 2. 1912, ch. 134. 1914, ch. 163, sec. 160A. 1914, ch. 475, sec. 160A.

229. Political parties which at the general election held on November 2nd, 1909, in the State of Maryland, or which at any future general election next preceding any primary election to be held hereunder, as shall have polled ten per cent. of the entire vote cast in the State at such or any such general election, shall hereafter nominate all their candidates for public office in and for Baltimore City, and the several counties of the State and for Judges and for the House of Representatives of the Federal Congress, and shall elect all delegates to county, legislative district, Congressional, City and State conventions, and all members of managing bodies in said political parties, in and for Baltimore City and the several counties of the State, and all precinct, ward, city and county executive or executive committees, whenever the political party usage provides for such executive committees, or any of the same, by means of primary elections conducted under and in accordance with the provisions of this sub-title and not otherwise, except as herein specifically provided, and the several boards of supervisors of elections shall not print on the official ballot to be voted at any general or special election to be hereafter held the name or names of any such candidate or candidates for election in Baltimore City or any of the counties of the State of any of said parties who shall not be so nominated and whose nomination shall not be certified to them or to the Secretary of State as having been so nominated. Provided, that the provisions of this sub-title requiring the nomination of candidates by direct vote shall not apply to the nomination of such candidates for county officers, State Senate and members of the House of Delegates in the County of Howard,¹ except as hereinafter provided; but such candidates shall be selected by county convention, delegates to which shall be selected in all respects as provided for in this sub-title, and the nomination of such candidates by such convention shall be duly certified by the chairman and secretary of such convention to the Board of Election Supervisors of said county; and it shall be the duty of said supervisors to place the name of such candidates upon the official ballots in the manner prescribed by the General Election Laws of this State.

All such candidates for such office, and all such delegates, managing bodies, executives and executive committees shall be nominated, selected and chosen by the direct vote of the duly registered voters belonging to or

¹ A vote was taken in Howard Co. in 1915 under ch. 163 of 1914 which was in favor of primaries, so that since that time Howard Co. has not been exempt from the provisions of this section.