

146. The board of police commissioners of Baltimore city shall send together with the ballot-boxes, and at the time and in the method now provided for the delivery thereof, to the judges of the election, and shall deliver with the ballot-box to the said judges of each precinct in said city, one set of the said ballots, together with the specimen ballots and cards of instructions for the said precincts; the other set of such ballots shall be obtained in the possession of the said board of police commissioners upon the requisition in writing of the presiding or return judge, or of any two judges of the election in any precinct, that the second set of ballots are needed for the use of the voters therein, the board of police commissioners shall deliver to said judges through the hands of one or more of their officers the second set of ballots, taking a receipt from said judges therefor.

147. The said sheriffs of the several counties shall send to the several voting places in their counties both sets of the said ballots, together with the specimen ballots and cards of instruction, at the same time with and in the same manner now provided by law for delivering to them the ballot-boxes, and one set of ballots together with the specimen ballots and cards shall be delivered to the return judge, and the other set of ballots shall be delivered to the return judge, and the other set of ballots shall be delivered to the judge who is of a different political party from the return judge, and said judges shall respectively, receipt to the sheriff therefor.

148. At the opening of the polls in each polling-place in the city of Baltimore and the several counties, the seals of the packages of the first set of ballots, and of the specimen ballots and cards of instruction shall be publicly broken by the return judge of election, and the packages, books or blocks of ballots shall be delivered into the custody of the ballot clerks, herein-after provided for; the cards of instruction shall be immediately posted in or at each voting shelf or compartment provided for marking the ballots, and not less than three of the cards and not less than five specimen ballots shall immediately be posted up conspicuously about the polling-place; if it shall become necessary to use the second set of ballots, it shall be received by the judges in the city of Baltimore from the board of police commissioners as hereinbefore stated, and in the several counties from the said judge to whom the second set has been confided, and shall be opened and dealt with in all respects as the first set.

149. If it should so happen that the tickets prepared and printed by the board of police commissioners or by the said board of supervisors of elections respectively, should be destroyed, lost or stolen, or should be inaccessible to them for any reason, they shall proceed expeditiously to prepare and cause to be printed two sets of duplicates thereof, and shall proceed as near as may