

fied and registered voters then in charge of the said officer of registration shall be completed; such assistant officer of registration so to be appointed shall possess the same qualifications which were required of the officer of registration whom he may be appointed to assist, and shall possess all the powers of said officer; but in all controverted questions, when both officers are present, in which the opinion of the officer and assistant officer of registration may differ, the decision of the principal officer of registration shall prevail.

Whose decision to prevail.

SEC. 6. *And be it enacted*, That each and every person appointed as aforesaid to act as an officer of registration, whether as principal or assistant officer, shall qualify as such officer of registration forthwith, and shall perform the duties of the office for which he was appointed for the time for which he was appointed, unless removed from office for incompetency or misconduct, or because disqualified by sickness. Any officer of registration who, being duly appointed, shall fail or refuse to qualify forthwith, or who having qualified shall fail or refuse to perform any of the duties of his said office, shall be liable to a penalty of five hundred dollars, to be recovered by indictment in a court having jurisdiction of the subject matter.

Qualify and perform duties

SEC. 7. *And be it enacted*, That the Governor shall cause the books to be prepared at the expense of the State which shall be necessary in the year eighteen hundred and eighty-two for the use of the said respective officers of registration for the registration of the names and facts required by this act to be registered; there shall be thus provided for the purposes aforesaid one registry of voters and two poll-books or lists of qualified and registered voters for each election precinct in the city of Baltimore, and one registry of voters and two poll-books or lists of qualified and registered voters for each election district in each county in this State, when such election district is not divided into election precincts; for each election district in any county in this State which is divided into election precincts there shall be one registry of voters and two poll-books for each of the election precincts into which such election district is so divided; said registries of voters and said poll-books shall be uniform

Books to be prepared.

Number of books.