

CHAPTER 471.

AN ACT to repeal and reenact, with amendments, Chapter 168 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1927, to provide for the election of officers of the Mayor and Common Council of Hyattsville, with appointment of election officials and the designation of polling places, and changing the opening of the polls to 7 A. M.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Chapter 168 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1927, be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

SEC. 2. That all elections to fill the offices of Mayor, Councilman and Treasurer and for other purposes shall be by ballot, and shall be held on the first Monday in May in each year, except as otherwise provided by law. No persons shall be allowed to vote in any election in said town except those persons whose names shall appear upon the register of voters in the ward where such persons shall appear to vote and who shall be actual residents, as hereinafter defined, of said town upon the day of election. The Mayor and Common Council shall annually appoint two judges and two clerks, who shall themselves be registered voters, to conduct the election in each of said wards; provided that whenever there is only one candidate nominated for Mayor or Treasurer of said town or only one candidate nominated for Councilman in any ward thereof, there being no, or only one candidate nominated for Mayor and/or Treasurer, the election for such offices shall be held in such ward or wards as the said Mayor and Common Council shall direct, and judges and clerks shall be appointed to conduct the election only in the wards in which elections are so directed to be held. The judges and clerks of any ward in which the said Mayor and Common Council shall direct the election of any other ward or wards to be held, shall, in addition to conducting the election in the ward for which they are appointed, conduct the election for such other ward or wards. The polls shall be open from the hour of seven o'clock A. M. to the hour of seven o'clock P. M., when they shall be closed, and no ballots shall be deposited in the ballot box after that time. The said judges and clerks shall conduct such elections, canvass the ballots and certify the results in the manner prescribed by the General Election Laws of this State for State and county elections, except