

shall be liable to presentment and indictment in the Circuit Court for Somerset County, and on conviction thereof shall be fined not less than one hundred dollars, or be confined in the penitentiary of the State for not exceeding one year, and shall forever thereafter be disqualified from holding an office of profit or trust created under the corporation of Crisfield, or to vote at any election thereafter held by or under this subtitle or the municipal authority of Crisfield.

59. The Mayor shall by publication in one or more newspapers published in Crisfield, at least ten days prior to holding any such elections, give notice thereof, stating the object of said election and the time, place and hours of holding the same. The Mayor shall, at least three days prior to the holding of any such elections, appoint three persons, qualified voters of said city, two of whom shall be of the majority party or division of opinion, at such election, and one from the minority or largest minority, to act as the judge of the election, who, before acting as such, shall take oath in due form of law before the Mayor or a Justice of the Peace of Somerset County, to fairly and impartially perform the duties of judges of said election. In case any of the persons so appointed as judges shall fail to appear and qualify or open the polls at the hour appointed therefor, or to perform any of the duties required of them as such judges and unless excused before the time of opening the polls by the Mayor, then the judge or judges so failing to qualify or to open the polls, or to perform any other of the duties required of him or them as such judge or judges, or unless incapacitated by sickness, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction after indictment shall be fined not less than \$50.00, nor more than \$500.00, and be committed to the county jail until fine and costs are paid, or shall be both fined and sentenced to the House of Correction for not less than three nor more than twelve months, at the discretion of the Court. In case any or all of the judges so appointed shall fail to qualify or be present at the opening or to open the polls, then the Mayor shall at once appoint another person or persons to act in place of the one (or of those) not qualified or being present, and if the Mayor shall fail to appoint a new judge or judges as aforesaid, then the judge or judges who is or are present shall appoint from the qualified voters who are present some qualified judge or judges to act as judge or judges in lieu of the one or more failing to be present or to qualify or to act as aforesaid, and the judge or judges present may administer the required oath to the judge or judges so appointed. And in case that none of the judges are present at the time for the opening of the polls at such election, then the qualified voters who are present shall select three of their number, who shall qualify