

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Chapter 121 of the Acts of 1900, entitled "An Act to provide for the selecting, drawing and summoning of jurors for Howard County," be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments, so as to read as follows:

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That in Howard County there shall be procured by the Clerk of the Circuit Court a jury box of convenient size, which shall be divided into as many compartments as there may, from time to time, be election districts in said county, and which compartments shall be numbered to correspond with the districts of the county; that when the names of the persons selected by the Judges of the Circuit Court for said county, or either of them, in the manner prescribed in Article 51 of the Code of Public General Laws, title "Juries," immediately thereupon the Judge or Judges of said Court, in the presence of the members of the bar and such other persons as may attend, of the said names so selected, shall select and appoint one, who shall be foreman of the Grand Jury, and shall cause all the names selected, except the name of the foreman, to be placed by said Judge, or either of them, in said compartments of said box, respectively, which bear the numbers of the districts where the persons so selected respectively reside; and it shall be the duty of said Judges, or either of them, when selecting the panel of one hundred and fifty persons, as provided for in section seven of Article 51 of the Code of Public General Laws, to distribute the names of the persons on said panel as nearly equal as may be possible among said compartments, and the said Judge or Judges, in addition to the foreman so selected, shall draw in all forty-seven names, and from all the said compartments an equal number of names; provided, that after the foreman has been selected the district of his residence shall be carefully noted, and at said drawing one less name shall be drawn from the compartment representing the district in which he resides; and if the foreman so selected should die, or for any other cause be excused by the Court, the Judge or Judges, after drawing another name from the compartment representing the district in which the foreman originally selected and so dead or excused resided, may select and appoint any one of the jurors drawn as foreman in place of the foreman so dead or excused.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That all that portion of Article 51 of the Code of Public General Laws of the State of Maryland inconsistent herewith be and the same is hereby repealed as far as the same may apply to Howard County.