

thereof, shall be evidence of the right of such persons to registration as a legal voter according to law.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect on and after June 1st, 1916.

Approved April 18th, 1916.

CHAPTER 547.

AN ACT to propose an amendment to Section 44, Part VII, of Article IV, title "Sheriffs," of the Constitution of this State, making the incumbent of the office of Sheriff in the several Counties of the State eligible for re-election, fixing the term of office at four years and providing that the sheriff shall give such bond, exercise such powers and perform such duties in each of said counties as now or may hereafter be fixed by law; and to provide for the submission of said amendment to the qualified voters of this State for adoption or rejection.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland (three-fifths of all the members of each of the two houses concurring)*, That the following be and the same is hereby proposed as an amendment to Section 44, Part VII, sub-title "Sheriffs" of Article IV of the Constitution of this State, the same, if adopted by the legally qualified voters of the State as herein provided, to become Section 44, Part VII, of Article IV, sub-title "Sheriffs," of the Constitution of Maryland.

Section 44. There shall be elected in each County on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in the month of November, 1917, and in every fourth year thereafter, on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in the month of November, 1919, and in every fourth year thereafter, one person, resident in said County above the age of twenty-five years and at least five years preceding his election, a citizen of the State, to the office of Sheriff. He shall hold office for four years, and until his successor is duly elected and qualified; but shall not be eligible for re-election; The Sheriff elected in each of the counties in November, 1915, shall, however, be eligible for re-election for the next ensuing term. The Sheriff shall give such bond, exercise such powers and perform