

Article 15 and any supplementary legislation enacted in conformity therewith; and provided further that they shall have the right through their appropriate authorities, the necessity existing, to change the tax rate fixed by their respective charters upon the property taxed to the extent of covering any loss of revenue in case they may determine upon the exemption or partial exemption of certain classes or sub-classes of property.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect from the first day of June, 1916.

Approved April 18th, 1916.

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## CHAPTER 657.

AN ACT to repeal Section 51 of Article 21 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Talbot County," sub-title "Easton," as amended by Chapter 41 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed at the January session of 1908; and to re-enact same with amendments.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 51 of Article 21, of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Talbot County," sub-title "Easton," as amended by Chapter 41 of the Acts passed at the January session of 1908, be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments so as to read as follows:

SEC. 51. After the time has expired for presenting nominations the Town Clerk shall prepare the official ballots and shall cause to be printed thereon in a single column without device of any kind the names of the nominees for the respective offices to be filled and he shall cause the names of the candidates for the same office to be grouped together.

The official ballot shall be of opaque plain white paper and of sufficient width and length to admit the names of all the nominees and propositions to be voted for and the name of any person not legally nominated shall not be counted. To the right of each name on said ballot there shall be a square space clearly defined by lines in which the voter may express his choice at said election by making a cross with pen or pencil in the following form X.

And whenever there shall be any question submitted to the voters for their decision the said question shall be placed upon