

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 78 of Article 33 of the Code of Public Civil Laws (Bagby) be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments, so as to read as follows:

78. The Board of Supervisors of Election, upon receiving a ballot box and the key thereof, shall note the condition of the seal or stamp on each box, and make an entry of the facts touching the same, in a book to be kept by them, together with the name of the officer who delivered the box. They shall deliver all the ballot boxes so sealed, as aforesaid, to the clerk of the Circuit Court for their respective counties, or to the Board of Police Commissioners of Baltimore City, as the case may be, who shall put them in a secure place to which the public shall in no case have access, and shall safely keep them for the space of four months from the date of such delivery, at which time, unless previously notified to produce the same to be used in evidence in some contested election or judicial or legislative investigation then pending, said Board of Supervisors shall destroy, or cause to be destroyed said ballots and poll books, also all of the said tallies and statements or returns, and shall record in the same book a certificate of the fact.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That this Act shall take effect June 1st.

Approved March 31st, 1916.

CHAPTER 117.

AN ACT to add a new section to Article 33-A of Bagby's Code, title "Eminent Domain," to follow Section 7 and to be known as 7-A.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That a new section is hereby added to Article 33-A of Bagby's Code, title "Eminent Domain", to follow Section 7, to be designated as 7-A and to read as follows:

7-A. The Court may, in its discretion, permit the opening statements of counsel to be made before the jury is sent to view the premises; and the Court also may, in its discretion, send the jury to view said premises, as provided in Section 7, in charge either of the sheriff as therein provided, or of a bailiff of the Court.

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