

agree with or encourage a voter to keep his ballot in sight of any person or persons from the time at which its contents are known by any such person or persons or his associate or associates until delivered to the judge to be deposited in the ballot-box, shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of not less than Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars nor more than Two Hundred (\$200.00) Dollars, or by imprisonment in jail for not less than fifteen days nor more than six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment, and one-half of such fine collected shall be paid to the informer.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That a new section be and the same hereby is added to said Article 33 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, to follow immediately after section 198 of said Article, to be known as section 198A, and to read as follows:

198A. Any and all violations of any of the provisions of sections 184, 185, 195 and 198 of said Article 33 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as the same exist at present, which may occur or be committed at any time prior to the time when this Act shall take effect, shall be prosecuted and punished, either before or after this Act takes effect, in all respects as if this Act had never been passed.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That it is hereby declared that this law is an emergency law and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 4th, 1916.

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## CHAPTER 161.

AN ACT to authorize and empower the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Queen Anne's County to transcribe the docket entries and judgments in all cases now recorded in the old appearance dockets of said Court for the terms commencing with the January Term, 1880, and extending to the November Term, 1905, inclusive, to the books in the office of said Clerk containing the trial dockets of said Court, and to empower and direct the County Commissioners of Queen Anne's County to appropriate for the use of and to