

such applicant resides, it shall be taken by such board and returned to the office of Supervisors of Elections. When such certificate shall be granted, either by the Board of Registry or by the Supervisors of Elections, as the case may be, the name of such applicant shall be erased from the registers of the precinct from which he removed.

SECTION 5. *And be it further enacted, That Section 63 of Article 33 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, title "Elections", be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments, so as to read as follows:*

63. The polling places shall be opened by the judges of election at 6 o'clock A. M. in the City of Baltimore, and in the counties, and shall be kept open until 7 o'clock P. M. of the same day, at which time the polls shall be closed. If any judge or clerk shall not be present at the expiration of fifteen minutes after the time for opening the polls the judge or judges present shall fill the place of such absent judge or clerk by appointing in his stead a person of the same political party as the absentee. One of the judges shall administer to such substitute the oath required of the judge or clerk originally appointed. After the opening of the polls no judge or clerk shall absent himself therefrom until all the ballots cast shall have been counted and the returns completed. If, in case of absolute necessity, any judge or clerk in attendance shall be compelled to absent himself, he shall appoint some fit person of the same political party with himself to act in his stead until his return, having first administered to such substitute the same oath as he himself has taken. Blank forms for the appointment of the substitute judges and clerks and the oath aforesaid shall be supplied by the supervisors, and the oath, when administered, shall be preserved and returned by the judges to the supervisors. The appointment and swearing in of all such substitutes and the reason therefor, and the time when such substitute began and ceased to serve shall be noted by the judges in the poll book of the precinct; such substitute shall cease to act whenever the judge or clerk in whose stead he was appointed shall be present.