

## CHAPTER 549.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Sections 5 and 7 of Article 62 of the Public General Laws of Maryland (Bagby), title, "Marriages," raising the age at which a person may obtain a marriage license as a contracting party to a marriage in the State of Maryland, and making it mandatory that one of the applicants must appear in person before the marriage license clerk in order to obtain said license.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Sections 5 and 7 of Article 62 of the Public General Laws of Maryland (Bagby), title, "Marriages," be, and the same are, hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, as follows:

SEC. 5. Before the Clerk of any of the Courts aforesaid shall issue any license he shall examine one of the contracting parties to the marriage, under oath, who shall appear personally before the Clerk and make application for the same, and the Clerk shall ascertain: first, the full name of the parties; second, their place of residence; third, their age; fourth, their color; fifth, whether married or single; sixth, whether related or not, if, so, in which degree of relationship; seventh, if ever divorced; which facts shall be set out in printed form to be signed by the person making the application.

SEC. 7. No such license shall issue unless the male be above the age of twenty-one years and the female above the age of eighteen years; provided, however, that if the parents or guardian assent thereto, in person or by writing, attested by two witnesses, such license may issue and the fact of such assent shall be made part of the record aforesaid.

Approved April 16, 1920.

## CHAPTER 550.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Sections 74 and 75 of Article 24 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, as codified by John W. Staton, and legalized by the General Assembly of Maryland of 1914, and amended by virtue of Chapter 212 of the Acts of 1918, title, "Worcester County," sub-title, "County Commissioners."