

## CHAPTER 680.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact with amendments Sections 156, 158, 159, 159-B, 159-I, 159-J, 159-L, 159-M, 159-O, 159-W and 164 of Article 22, of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Washington County, sub-title "Hagerstown," as the same were enacted, repealed and re-enacted by Chapter 36 of the Acts of Assembly of 1892, Chapter 27 of the Acts of Assembly of 1896, Chapter 19 of the Acts of Assembly, 1916, Chapter 4 of the Acts of Assembly of 1920, and Chapter 58 of the Acts of Assembly of 1924; amending the Charter of Hagerstown.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Sections 156, 158, 159, 159-B, 159-I, 159-J, 159-L, 159-M, 159-O, 159-W and 164 of Article 22, of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Washington County," sub-title "Hagerstown," as the same were enacted, repealed and re-enacted by Chapter 36 of the Acts of Assembly of 1892, Chapter 27 of the Acts of Assembly of 1896, Chapter 19 of the Acts of Assembly, 1916, Chapter 4 of the Acts of Assembly of 1920, and Chapter 58 of the Acts of Assembly of 1924, be and the same are hereby repealed and re-enacted to read as follows:

SEC. 156. *Be it enacted,* That the citizens of Hagerstown of the age of twenty-one years, and upwards who shall be first duly registered as hereinafter prescribed and who have resided in the State of Maryland and in said town for twelve months preceding the election, shall on the fourth Monday of March, in the year 1929, and not before, and upon the same day every four years thereafter, elect by ballot a person not under twenty-five years of age, a citizen of the United States, and five years a resident of said town as now constituted (and as enlarged by Chapter 257 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland passed at its January Session 1914 next preceding the election), to be Mayor of said town; he shall take the oath of office as hereinafter prescribed for town officers, and remain in office until his successor is elected and qualified. All elections shall be by ballot, and no person shall be entitled to vote at any election who is not duly registered as hereinafter provided. And the term of the present Mayor is hereby extended until said election in 1929.

SEC. 158. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the Mayor, by virtue of his office, shall preside at all meetings of the council and in case of a tie, except in the