

17. They shall be the judges of their elections and the qualifications of their own members, and may, with the concurrence of their whole number, expel any member for disorderly behavior or mal-conduct in office.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1931.

Approved April 6, 1931.

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#### CHAPTER 34.

AN ACT to amend the charter of the Burgess and Commissioners of Middletown, in Frederick County, by repealing and re-enacting, with amendments, Sections 520 and 539 of Article 11 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (Edition by George R. Dennis, Jr.), title "Frederick County," sub-title "Middletown," relating to qualification of voters, officers and elections, and the acquisition, maintenance and operation of a town hall.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, that Sections 520 and 539 of Article 11 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (Edition by George R. Dennis, Jr.), title "Frederick County," sub-title "Middletown," be and the same are hereby repealed and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

520. The citizens of Middletown of the age of twenty-one years and upwards, who shall have resided within the taxable limits of said town for a period of twelve months preceding the election, and qualified and entitled to vote under the Constitution and laws of the State of Maryland at any State election, shall be entitled to vote at any election for Burgess and Commissioners, or at any other municipal election in said town.

The Burgess of said town shall, at least two weeks before the time of election, in each election year, issue a call for a nominating convention, to be composed of the residents of said town who may attend the same, and who shall be entitled to vote in the coming election, said nomination convention to be held at some public place in said town, to be designated by the Burgess, and notice of which shall be published in the Valley