

provided or until their death, resignation or retirement. The County Commissioners of Baltimore County may punish any officer, member or employee of the Fire Department for any infraction of the rules or regulations of such department or for insubordination or wilful neglect of duty.

245. The County Commissioners of Baltimore County are hereby authorized to retire from office in the Fire Department of Baltimore County any permanent member thereof, including the Chief Engineer, who has become permanently disabled while in the active performance of duty, and place the member so retired upon a pension roll and to allow to each pensioner annually an amount equal to one-half the yearly amount received by him at the time of his retirement, payable in monthly installments. That no member of the Fire Department of Baltimore County shall be retired until he shall have been examined by the Board of Examiners herein provided for, and their finding as to the disability assigned as reason for a retirement shall have been certified by them to the County Commissioners of Baltimore County.

252. Any permanent member of the Fire Department of Baltimore County, including the Chief Engineer, who shall perform faithful service in the Department for a period of not less than twenty consecutive years, may, by the County Commissioners of Baltimore County, be retired at that time, and such members shall be placed upon the pension roll as provided in Section 245 of this Article and entitled to all the benefits therefrom as therein provided for. All members of the department, including the Chief Engineer, shall for the purposes of this section be credited with all the time they may have served in the department prior to the passage of this Act.

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

Approved April 17, 1931.

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## CHAPTER 275.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact with amendments Section 193 of Title 20 of Offutt's Revised Code of Public Local Laws of Baltimore County (Edition of 1928), entitled "Elections," regulating the compensation of judges and clerks of election in Baltimore County.