

nate jurors on request of either party or upon the Court's motion.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 25 of Article 51 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Juries", be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments to read as follows:

25. Whenever it appears that the trial of an action, either civil or criminal, triable by a jury is likely to be a protracted one, the court may, upon the request of either party or upon its own motion, direct the calling of one or two additional jurors, to be known as "Alternate Jurors". Such jurors must be drawn from the same source, and in the same manner, and have the same qualifications as the jurors already sworn, and be subjected to the same examinations and challenges. Such alternate jurors shall be seated with the jurors with equal power and facilities for seeing and hearing the proceedings in the case, and shall take the same oath as the jurors already selected, and must attend at all times upon the trial of the cause in company with the other jurors; and for a failure so to do are liable to be punished for contempt. They shall obey the orders of and be bound by the admonition of the court upon each adjournment of the court; and except, as hereinafter provided, shall be discharged upon the final submission of the case to the jury. If before the final submission of the case, a juror die, or become ill, or for any other reason he be unable to perform his duty, the court may order him to be discharged and draw the name of an alternate, so qualified as hereinbefore set forth, who shall then take the seat of the discharged juror in the jury box, and be subject to the same rules and regulations as though he had been selected as one of the original jurors.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1943.

Approved April 1, 1943.

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CHAPTER 280.

(House Bill 264)

AN ACT to repeal Sections 6 and 7 of Article 88B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "State Police", relating to the employees, equipment, supplies and