

actually served by him, to be fixed by the County Commissioners of the respective counties or the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City, as the case may be.

4. (a) The Boards of Supervisors of Elections of the several counties shall have power to appoint and to remove such clerks, registrars, voting machine custodians and deputy custodians, stenographers, and other employees, including such temporary assistants, as may be necessary from time to time, and to prescribe their duties and fix their rank. Except as provided in Sub-section (c) of this section, the said Boards of Supervisors of Elections shall also have power to fix the number, salary and compensation of all such employees which salary or compensation shall be payable by the respective County Commissioners of each county, as the case may be; provided, however, that the total amount of compensation so paid shall not exceed in any one year the total amount appropriated for the use of the said Boards of Supervisors of Elections.

(b) Beginning with June 1, 1945, the Supervisors of Elections of the City of Baltimore shall have a chief clerk at a salary of thirty-nine hundred dollars (\$3900.00) per annum, an assistant chief clerk at a salary of thirty-nine hundred dollars (\$3900.00) per annum, two registrars at a salary of thirty-three hundred dollars (\$3300.00) each per annum, two clerks at a salary of twenty-nine hundred dollars (\$2900.00) each per annum, one clerk at a salary of twenty-four hundred dollars (\$2400.00) per annum, two clerks at a salary of twenty-three hundred dollars (\$2300.00) each per annum, thirteen clerks at a salary of twenty-two hundred dollars (\$2200.00) each per annum, four clerks at a salary of two thousand dollars (\$2000.00) each per annum, a custodian of voting machines at a salary of twenty-four hundred dollars (\$2400.00) per annum, three deputy custodians of voting machines at a salary of twenty-two hundred dollars (\$2200.00) each per annum, three typists at a salary of fifteen hundred dollars (\$1500.00) each per annum and a stenographer at a salary of nineteen hundred dollars (\$1900.00) per annum. Nothing in this section shall be so construed as to prevent the said Board of Supervisors of Elections from requiring any of the above mentioned employees to perform such duties as the said Board may, in its discretion, deem advisable. The said clerks, and in the City of Baltimore, the chief clerk and the other employees above enumerated shall be appointed by the respective boards of supervisors and shall be removable by them in their discretion except that in Baltimore City one of the registrars shall be appointed by the member of the board who shall have been selected from the political party opposite