

Charter of Capitol Heights in relation to candidates for public office, bailiffs, and fines, penalties and forfeitures, and providing for a referendum thereon.

WHEREAS, Section 185 of Chapter 1034 of the Acts of 1945 provided for a referendum of the citizens of Capitol Heights before the enactment into law of the other provisions of said Chapter which provided for the repeal of the existing Charter of Capitol Heights, being Sections 137-185, inclusive, of the Code of Public Local Laws of Prince George's County (1943 Edition), and for the enactment of a new Charter; and

WHEREAS, the said referendum was never held, and, therefore, Sections 137-185, inclusive, of the said Code of Public Local Laws of Prince George's County (1943 Edition) are still in full force and effect; now, therefore

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That a new section be and it is hereby added to the Code of Public Local Laws of Prince George's County (1943 Edition), being Article 17 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Prince George's County", sub-title "Capitol Heights", said new section to be known as Section 142A, to follow immediately after Section 142 thereof and that Sections 152 and 155 of said Article and sub-title, be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, and all to read as follows:*

*142A. Before the name of any candidate for an elective office shall appear on the ballot the candidate must, within three days after the convention in which nominated, file with the Mayor and Common Council or Clerk of the Town his consent, in writing, to be a candidate for the office for which named.*

152. There shall be appointed [annually in the same manner and for the same period as the said assessors,] *by the Mayor, subject to confirmation by the Town Council at its next meeting, regular or special, one or more [voters of said town,] persons as bailiffs of said town, whose duty it shall be to preserve the peace and good order of the town, and for this purpose the bailiff or bailiffs are hereby vested with the same power and authority now possessed by constables under the laws of this State. [and]*

*The bailiff or bailiffs shall take the required oath and enter upon [their] the duties of their office on the first day of July in each year, or at such time as appointed, but shall not serve beyond the July 1st next following their appointment, unless re-appointed and confirmed; provided, however, that nothing in*