

*this section shall be construed to affect the appointment or term of office of the bailiffs holding office at the time this section is enacted into law.*

155. The Mayor and Common Council may by ordinance provide for such fines, penalties and forfeitures for breach of their ordinances as they may think proper, not exceeding [twenty-five] *fifty* dollars for any one offense; and may provide for non-payment of such fines, penalties and forfeitures that the offender be imprisoned in some place of confinement as provided in the succeeding section for a period of not exceeding sixty days.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That before the provisions of this Act shall become effective, the Mayor and the Common Council of the Town of Capitol Heights shall submit the question to the qualified voters of said town at the regular general municipal election to be held next after the effective date of this Act. Notice of the submission of this question shall be given by the Mayor and the Common Council in a newspaper of general circulation in said town at least two weeks before the said election. The ballots or voting machines, as the case may be, shall contain a printed summary of this Act. Printed on the said ballots or voting machines, as the case may be, shall also appear the words "For amending the Town Charter", and "Against amending the Town Charter", with suitable provision to be made for each voter to indicate his choice on said question. If a majority of the persons voting on said question shall vote "For amending the Town Charter", then this Act shall be immediately of full force and effect; but, if a majority of the persons voting on this question shall vote "Against amending the Town Charter", then this Act shall be void and of no further effect whatsoever.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, and having been passed by a yea and nay vote, supported by three-fifths of all of the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly of Maryland, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

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