

“Worcester County”, sub-title “Pocomoke City”, Section 199 having been amended by Chapter 7 of the Acts of 1939, providing for five Town Councilmen, eliminating the provision requiring the Mayor and Councilmen to own real estate and relating to the powers and duties of the Councilmen, and the hours for opening and closing the polls. ESTATE AND RELATING TO THE POWERS, DUTIES AND COMPENSATION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCILMEN, AND THE HOURS FOR OPENING AND CLOSING THE POLLS.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Sections 198, 199 (j), 201, 202, 203 and 204 of Article 24 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 Edition), title “Worcester County”, sub-title “Pocomoke City”, Section 199 having been amended by Chapter 7 of the Acts of 1939, be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

198. The corporate authority, government, rights, powers and prerogatives of the said town shall be vested in and be exercised by one person, who shall be Mayor of said town, and [three] five persons, who shall be Councilmen, all of whom shall be elected as hereinafter provided, and possess the qualifications hereinafter set forth; no one shall be eligible to be elected to the office of Mayor unless on the day of the election whereon he or she is elected he or she shall be a qualified voter to vote at the municipal election of said town and is at least thirty years of age and unless for one year next preceding the election he or she has been and is, at the time of the election, assessed on the tax books of said town with, and is the owner of, real estate of the value of at least five hundred dollars and if only a part owner then such part interest must be of the value according to such assessment of at least five hundred dollars; and no person shall be eligible to the office of Councilman unless at the date of such election he or she shall be a qualified voter as aforesaid and unless for one year next preceding the election he or she has been and is, at the time of the election, assessed on the tax books of said town with and is the owner of real estate of the value of at least three hundred dollars and if only a part owner then such part interest must be of the value according to such assessment of at least three hundred dollars, and he or she must be at least twenty-five years of age; and the term of office of Mayor shall be two years, or until his or her successor shall be elected and qualified; and the term of office of Councilmen shall be three years, or until their respective successors shall be elected or appointed and qualified and the present Mayor and all the present Councilmen of