

Except as required otherwise by this Act, said election shall be conducted, as nearly as practicable in the same manner as elections for municipal officers of the City of Hyattsville. Said committee shall appoint two (2) judges and two (2) clerks who shall conduct said election. The said judges and clerks, before undertaking to perform the duties of their office, shall subscribe to the same oath as is now administered for judges and clerks in elections of municipal officers of the City of Hyattsville.

All persons over the age of twenty-one (21) years who actually reside on the date of said election within the territory proposed to be annexed to the City of Hyattsville by this Act shall be eligible to vote at said election. The said judges, or any of them, before permitting any person to vote at said election, shall administer to such person an oath to tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth with reference to any question said judges may then ask concerning the qualifications of such person as a voter in said election, and shall examine each of said persons, and any such person who does not qualify under the terms of this section, shall be refused the right to vote.

Upon the closing of said polls, the said judges and clerks shall canvass the said vote, publicly announce the result of said canvass, certify the result to the Mayor and City Council of Hyattsville, and deliver the ballot boxes, with the ballots sealed therein, to the Mayor and City Council, who shall faithfully keep the sealed boxes for a period of thirty (30) days after said election.

In the event that the majority of said votes are in favor of the annexation of the territory herein described to the City of Hyattsville, said territory shall thereupon be annexed to and become a part of said City as provided above, but in the event that a majority of said votes are against such annexation, this Act shall then be null and void and of no effect.

SEC. 4A. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, THAT IN THE EVENT THAT ANNEXATION OF THE TERRITORIES HERETOFORE DESCRIBED IS APPROVED BY THE VOTERS OF THE CITY OF HYATTSVILLE AT THE REFERENDUM ELECTION HEREINBEFORE PROVIDED, THOSE AREAS THEREBY ANNEXED, AND THAT AREA ANNEXED TO THE CITY OF HYATTSVILLE PURSUANT TO HOUSE BILL NO. 779 OF THE 1953 SESSION OF THE LEGISLATURE CHAPTER 729 OF THE ACTS OF 1953) SHALL BE