administered for judges and clerks in elections of municipal officers of the Town of Hampstead.

All persons who have resided within the corporate limits of the Town of Hampstead, as well as those within the territory proposed to be annexed by this Act, for six months next preceding the special election, and who are qualified to vote for delegates for the General Assembly of Maryland, shall be eligible to vote at said special election.

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

In the event that a majority of said votes cast shall be "For Enlarging the Town Limits", then this Act shall become effective and the territory proposed to be annexed shall thereupon become a part of the Town of Hampstead, but in the event that a majority of said votes cast shall be "Against Enlarging the Town Limits", then this Act shall be null and void and of no effect whatsoever.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1953.

Approved April 6, 1953.

CHAPTER 378

(House Bill 696)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Subsection (r) of Section 38 of Article 87 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "Sheriffs", subtitle "Compensation and Duties", increasing the salary of the Deputy Sheriff of St. Mary's County appointed from Lexington Park.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Sub-section (r) of Section 38 of Article 87

Explanation: Italics indicate new matter added to existing law. [Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law. CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.

Strike out indicates matter stricken out of bill.