

WHEREAS, In Section 145 of these local laws there are provisions concerning the filling of vacancies in these offices which now are superseded by Section 16 of Article 25 in the 1957 Edition of the Annotated Code; and

WHEREAS, In Sections 146 and 160 of these local laws, there are unnecessary and duplicating provisions concerning the powers and duties of the County Commissioners; now, therefore,

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Sections 142 and 143 of Article 10 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 Edition), title "Dorchester County", subtitle "County Commissioners and Treasurer", Section 142 thereof having been amended by Chapter 451 of the Acts of 1953, be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments; and that Sections 145, 146 and 160 thereof, be and they are hereby repealed, all to read as follows:

142. [At the general election to be held in Dorchester County on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in the month of November, 1917, there shall be no County Commissioners elected in Dorchester County, and at the general election to be held in said county on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in the month of November, 1919, there shall be but one County Commissioner elected in said county for a term of six years, and at the general election to be held in said county on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1921, there shall be two County Commissioners elected for said county, each for a term of six years. And the said three County Commissioners] *There shall be three County Commissioners in Dorchester County, who shall constitute the Board of County Commissioners of said county* [; and thereafter the number of County Commissioners of said county shall be three, each of them and the successor of each of them serving for six years from the date of their election].

143. There shall be three County Commissioner districts for Dorchester County, [after the said election in November, 1917,] and one of said three County Commissioners shall have charge of one Commissioner District; the said Commissioner Districts shall be composed of election districts as follows: Fork District or No. 1; East New Market District or No. 2; Williamsburg District or No. 12; Hurlock District or No. 15; Vienna District or No. 3 and Linkwood District or No. 14. Commissioner's District No. 2 shall be composed of Cambridge or District No. 7, Neck or District No. 8, Drawbridge or District No. 11, Bucktown or District No. 13, Salem or District No. 17, and District No. 9 or Church Creek. The Third Commissioner District shall consist of Madison or District No. 16, Taylors Island or District No. 4, Hoopers Island or District No. 6, Lakes or District No. 5, Straits or District No. 10 and Elliotts Island or District No. 18.

[145. In case the office of any one or more of the County Commissioners for Dorchester County shall become vacant by death, resignation or otherwise, the Governor of the State shall appoint a proper person to fill such vacancy until the next general election, and if the term of the Commissioner or Commissioners on account of whose death, resignation or incapacity the office has become vacant, be not then completed, a Commissioner shall be elected to serve for the unexpired term caused by the said vacancy.]