## CHAPTER 281 (House Bill 551)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 8 of Article 33 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Elections," subtitle "Supervisors of Elections and Employees," providing for an increase from eight to twelve of the number of clerks to be employed by the Supervisors of Elections of Montgomery County, and further providing for the AN increase from two to four of the number of Deputy Custodians of Voting Machines to be employed by the Supervisors of Elections of Montgomery County.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 8 of Article 33 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Elections," subtitle "Supervisors of Elections and Employees," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

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- (a) Salaries.—The Supervisors of Elections of Montgomery County may employ any member of the Bar of Maryland, resident in Montgomery County, who shall be paid for his services the sum of \$1,200 per annum, and shall also employ and appoint a majority clerk, who shall be paid for his services as such \$2,400 per annum, a minority clerk at a salary of \$2,400 per annum, two registrars who shall constitute the permanent board of registry at a salary of \$5,000 each per annum, and each member of the permanent board of registry shall be paid the further sum of \$1,200 per annum for the expenses incident to the operation of their automobiles. The Supervisors shall also employ and appoint a stenographer and a clerk at a salary of \$3,600 each per annum and [eight] twelve clerks at a salary of \$3,000 each per annum. [Four] Six of the clerks shall be appointed by the member of the Board who shall have been selected from the political party opposite to that of the Governor, and shall be removable by such member of the Board in his discretion. The majority clerk of the Board of Supervisors of Elections in Montgomery County and one person who shall be appointed by the Governor in the same manner and on the same terms and conditions as the Supervisors of Elections are appointed and who shall belong to the other leading political party from that to which the majority clerk shall belong, and who will be the minority clerk, shall constitute the permanent board of registry for said Montgomery County.
- (b) Custodians.—The Supervisors of Elections of Montgomery County shall also employ and appoint a custodian of voting machines, a chief deputy custodian and **[two]** four deputy custodians, whose duty it shall be to prepare the machines to be used in the elections to be held therein. The chief deputy custodian and **[one]** two deputy custodians shall belong to the other leading party from that to which the custodian shall belong. Such custodian and deputy custodians under the direction of said Board, shall have charge of and represent the said Board during the preparation of the said voting machines, and perform such other duties as may be prescribed from time to time by the Board of Supervisors of Elections. Such custodian and