

choose to be present after well and thoroughly shaking the said box, so that the ballots be well mixed, to draw from said box through such opening made by removing the sliding top thereof as will only conveniently admit the hand and without in any manner looking into said box one by one, forty-eight of said ballots, and the names appearing on said ballots as drawn shall be duly recorded by said judges or by clerk, in their presence and under their direction, in the order in which they shall be drawn. In Harford [County] and Washington Counties the clerk or his designated deputy shall draw seventy-three rather than forty-eight ballots. This section shall not apply to Dorchester, Wicomico, Somerset, Worcester, and to Charles County except to the extent provided for in subsection (f), and to Prince George's County except to the extent provided for in subsection (g).

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That Section 436 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Washington County (1957 Edition, being Article 22 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Washington County," subtitle "Jurors," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

436.

Instead of causing the names to be written upon ballots and placed in and drawn from a box as provided in Section ten of Article 51 of the Code of Public General Laws, the judge or judges of said court may, in his or their discretion, in lieu thereof, require the clerk of said court to provide a box of sufficient dimensions, and further, to provide [forty-eight] *seventy-three* white balls in addition to those provided for in the preceding section, each of the same size and plainly marked with numbers from one to [forty-eight] *seventy-three* jurors drawn and summoned, the court, at the beginning of the term for which they were drawn and summoned, shall select and appoint one as foreman of the grand jury, and shall direct the clerk of the court to withdraw from the balls aforesaid the ball containing the number corresponding with the number of the one so selected and appointed as foreman, as the same appears in the list of [forty-eight] *seventy-three* jurors as numbered upon the drawing thereof, as provided in the preceding section, and said remaining [forty-seven] *seventy-two* balls shall be placed in said box by the judge or judges and thoroughly shaken and well mixed, and the said judge or judges shall then cause the clerk of said court to draw from the said box, through the opening made by removing the sliding top thereof, as will only conveniently admit the hand, and without in any way looking into said box, one by one, twenty-two of said balls, and as each of said balls is drawn from said box it shall be handed by said clerk to the said judge or judges, who shall announce the number thereon, together with the name on the list of [forty-eight] *seventy-three* jurors drawn and summoned and numbered as aforesaid, corresponding to said number. The said twenty-two names so announced corresponding to the twenty-two numbers so drawn shall, with said numbers, be duly recorded by said judge or judges or by the clerk in his or their presence, and under his or their directions, in the order in which they shall respectively be drawn, and said jurors so drawn, together with the foreman selected and appointed as aforesaid, shall constitute the grand jury for said term of court. If for any reason any person or persons drawn as a grand juror or as grand jurors, as aforesaid, shall fail to attend and be present