

*for Prince George's County to relieve a crowded docket or to serve in a temporary absence or inability of a full-time judge of the People's Court, provided, however, that he be given forty-eight (48) hours notice. The salary of the judge causing a substitution shall not be diminished on account of compensation paid to such substitute.*

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1968.*

Approved May 7, 1968.

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CHAPTER 641

(House Bill 121)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 9 of Article 51 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1967 Supplement), title "Juries," subtitle "Qualification and Selection of Jurors," to change provisions for the selection of the grand and petit jurors in Prince George's, Calvert, Charles, and St. Mary's Counties.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 9 of Article 51 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1967 Supplement), title "Juries," subtitle "Qualification and Selection of Juries," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:*

9. Selection of panel; effect of local laws.

It shall be the duty of the judges of the circuit court for each of the counties, not less than fifteen days before the commencement of each term of the court at which jurors are required to attend, in the presence of such practicing members of the bar of said court as shall think proper to attend, to proceed to select from the lists last furnished by the clerks of the county commissioners provided for in Section 6 and from the pollbooks of the several election districts of said counties that shall be returned and filed in the clerk's office of said courts after any general election that may be last held previously to such election or from such other list of names as the court may find available, a panel to consist of not less than one hundred and fifty (150) nor more than three hundred (300) names in each of the several counties of Washington, Carroll, Frederick, Harford, Charles, Howard, and Calvert, and in Montgomery County a panel to consist of not less than one hundred and fifty (150) nor more than seven hundred (700) names, and in Prince George's County a panel to consist of not less than four hundred (400) names, the names to be fairly and impartially selected of the age aforesaid by the said judges, with special reference to the intelligence, sobriety and integrity of such persons and without the least reference to their political opinions and of the names of such persons when so selected, a list shall be made and a certificate thereto appended by the said judges that the said list of names has been duly selected in conformity with and according to the spirit and intent of this article, and which said lists and certificates shall be filed with the clerks of the said courts and by them preserved as other proceedings of the