

viction before a court of competent jurisdiction of this State shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than ten dollars (\$10.00) nor more than fifty dollars (\$50.00).

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1972.

Approved May 31, 1972.

CHAPTER 713
(House Bill 868)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 182 of Article 18 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 edition), title "Queen Anne's County," subtitle "County Commissioners," as last amended by Chapter 310 of the Acts of 1955, to increase the number of County Commissioners to five and to provide for their qualifications as to residence, the manner of their election, and the manner of filling vacancies, AND THIS ACT SHALL BE SUBJECT TO LOCAL REFERENDUM and generally relating thereto.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 182 of the Article 18 of the Code of Public Laws of Maryland (1930 edition), title "Queen Anne's County," subtitle "County Commissioners," as last amended by Chapter 310 of the Acts of 1955 be, and it is hereby, repealed and re-enacted with amendments to read as follows:

182.

(a) At the general election to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday of November, in the year nineteen hundred and ~~[fifty-eight]~~ *seventy-four*, there shall be elected ~~[three]~~ *five* County Commissioners for Queen Anne's County, and thereafter the number of County Commissioners for said Queen Anne's County shall be ~~[three]~~ *five*, and there shall be elected at every general election held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November in every fourth year thereafter ~~[three]~~ *five* County Commissioners for Queen Anne's County, and the County Commissioners so elected shall hold their office for the term of four years from the date of their election, or until their successors shall be elected and qualified, and they shall be eligible for re-election.

(b) *For the purpose of selecting persons eligible as County Commissioners, the county shall be considered as divided into four Commissioner's Districts. The First Commissioner's District is the third election district. The Second Commissioner's District is the fourth election district. The Third Commissioner's District is the fifth election district. The Fourth Commissioner's District is the first, second, sixth and seventh election districts. One of the County Commissioners shall be a resident of each of the First, Second and Third Commissioner's Districts. The remaining two County Commissioners shall be residents of the Fourth Commissioner's District, but shall not be residents of the same election district.*