

of the said city of Hagerstown; the word election in this section shall embrace all voters upon questions submitted to the vote of the people, but not primary elections.

161 U. Any convention as hereinafter defined, held for the purpose of making nominations to public office, and also registered voters to the number hereinafter specified, may nominate candidates for public officers to be filled by election within the city of Hagerstown, or any part or parts thereof, a convention within the meaning of this act is an organized assemblage of delegates representing a political party which at the last general election before the holding of such convention, polled at least one per cent. of the entire vote cast in the city of Hagerstown, or ward for which the nomination is made; nominations may also be made by means of primary elections, without the intervention of any convention by any party which polled said proportion of the entire vote of the city of Hagerstown at the last preceding general municipal election.

161 V. All nominations made by any such convention, or by means of any primary convention, shall be certified as follows: There shall be in either case a certificate in writing, in which shall be stated the name of each person nominated, his residence and the office for which he is nominated, and the name of the party by which he has been nominated; if the nomination be by a convention, the certificate shall be signed by the presiding officer and secretary of the convention, and their signatures thereto shall be acknowledged by them before some officer competent to take acknowledgments of deeds; if the nomination be by means of a primary election as stated in the foregoing section, the certificate may be signed by the judge or judges of such election, and the signature of such judge or judges shall be acknowledged by him or them as hereinbefore stated; all such certificates shall be known as certificates of nomination.

161 W. A candidate for public office may be nominated otherwise than by a convention or primary election in the manner following: A nomination paper containing the name of the candidate nominated, his residence, and the office for which he is nominated, shall be signed by registered voters residing within the city of Hagerstown or any ward thereof, as the case may be, for which candidates are to be presented as follows: The number of signatures so required shall not be less than two hundred when the nomination is for an office to be filled by an election to be participated in by the voters of the entire city of Hagerstown, and not less than fifty for nominations for all other elections; and provide also that the said signatures need not all be appended