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Due notice given by advertisement of the submission of the boundaries of Garrett county to the qualified voters.

Where taxes shall be paid

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That due notice shall be given by advertisement and otherwise of the submission of the question of the boundaries of Garrett county to the qualified voters within all the territory affected, and that the question be submitted as provided in this Act and in accordance with all existing laws providing for the submission of constitutional amendments or other questions to the voters of the State, that is to say, as follows : In addition to the ticket to be voted for member of Congress as aforesaid the supervisors of elections of Garrett county shall have printed on the tickets to be used at said congressional election the words "For Garrett County" and "Against Garrett County." Said tickets shall in their details and arrangements be in conformity to the provisions of Article 23 of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland, title "Elections," and be marked in the square on the right of the aforesaid words in the same manner as the tickets are required by law to be marked ; and if upon counting the vote it shall be found that a majority of the votes shall be "For Garrett County," then the disputed territory shall become and remain a part of Garrett county ; but if a majority of said votes be cast "Against Garrett County," then the said disputed territory shall be and remain a part of Allegany county ; and when the matter is so determined the citizens living in said disputed territory shall pay their taxes to the county in whose favor the question shall have been decided ; and it is a provision of said election that the registered voters in said disputed territory shall be permitted to vote on *said question*, in Garrett county, although they may be registered in Allegany county within the lines now laid down ; and their votes, on proof of registration in Allegany county shall have the same effect as if they were registered voters in Garrett county ; and should any dispute arise as to any person so voting being a resident of said disputed territory, then and in that event the registration books of Allegany county may be resorted to for such proof ; and if so proved shall be conclusive as to the right of such persons to vote on said question ; and if said vote shall be in favor of Garrett county, then the lines as laid down under the authority of Chapter 304 of the Acts of 1898, which survey is filed in the office of the Land Commissioner of Maryland, shall be and remain the divisional lines between Garrett and Allegany counties.