

machines for election, the delivery of voting machines and supplies to the polling places; providing for the instruction of judges of election; providing for instruction of voters before an election, and instruction and assistance of voters on election day, prescribing the manner of voting in elections, and the manner of voting for Presidential electors; providing for the canvass of the vote, for the care of machines, for the return of the votes, for re-canvass of votes; providing for the custody of voting machines and the keys thereof; prescribing penalties; providing for the applicability of the election laws, and for the validity of such portions of this Act as shall not be declared unconstitutional in case other portions should be declared unconstitutional, and providing for the repeal of laws or portions of laws in conflict herewith.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That five new sections be and they are hereby added to Article 33 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, title "Elections", sub-title "Voting Machines," said new sections to follow immediately after Section 224 of said Article 33, said new sections to be known as Sections 224½-A to 224½-E, inclusive, of said Article 33, and to read as follows:

224½-A. The Board of Supervisors of Election of Baltimore County, with the approval of the Board of County Commissioners of Baltimore County, are authorized and empowered to purchase, rent, lease or otherwise acquire such number of voting machines as may be required to equip any or all of the polling places in said County as now established or as may hereafter be established, such voting machines to be acquired in such manner and on such terms as may be agreed upon by and between the Board of Supervisors of Election and the Board of County Commissioners of said County. The Board of County Commissioners of Baltimore County, for the purpose of such purchase, or rent or lease of voting machines, may provide by contract for payment therefor upon such terms and in instalments of such amounts and payable at such times as the Board of County Commissioners shall deem for the best interests of the County. In the event of the leasing, rental or other acquisition of voting machines, such machines shall not be assessable for the purpose of State, County or municipal taxation, and shall be exempt from tax.

224½-D. The Board of Supervisors of Election of Baltimore County is authorized to rearrange, consolidate,