

Penalty.

place any distinguishing mark upon his ballot, or any person who shall interfere with any voter when inside said enclosed space, or when marking his ballot, or who shall endeavor to induce any voter before voting to show how he marks or has marked his ballot, or otherwise violate any provisions of this article, for which no other punishment is prescribed, shall be punished by fine of not less than five nor more than one hundred dollars.

Close of polls.

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Judges.

270 II. When the poll shall be closed, the box wherein the ballots are deposited shall immediately thereafter be opened by the judges of election; and the said judges, in the presence of one selected representative of each and every political party whose candidates are voted for at such election, to be designated in writing by said candidate, shall publicly take out the said ballots and read distinctly and aloud the name or names written or printed thereon, respectively, and the clerks of said election shall carefully enter and keep an account of the same on the books of the polls, so that the number of votes for each candidate tallied thereon may be readily cast up and known; when all the ballots have been canvassed the poll clerks shall compare their tallies together, and ascertain the total number of votes received by each candidate, and when they agree upon the numbers, one of them shall announce in a loud voice to the judges and those present the number of votes received by each candidate; as soon as the ballots shall be read off and counted, and the number for each candidate reckoned up and ascertained, the judge or judges of election shall make out under his or their hands, attested by the clerks of election or one of them, on the books of the polls, two plain, fair and distinct statements and certificates of the number of votes which shall have been then and there given for each candidate, distinguishing the station or office for which he has been voted; the said number shall be expressed in words at length and not in figures only, according to the following form or to the like effect, to wit: State of Maryland, City of Frederick, to wit: We, the undersigned, duly appointed by the board of supervisors of election of the City of Frederick, in due form of law, judge or judges of election in this aldermanic district number —, do hereby certify and return that we did attend on the — day of —, at —, the place appointed by law for holding the elections within said aldermanic district; we further certify, that we did then and there, before a justice of the peace of the State of Maryland, in and for Frederick county, qualify as judge or judges of election, as by law directed, and did then and