

**THE CODE OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 175 of 1927**

**774.20 Jurors; sitting together and hearing proofs and allegations; agreement on verdict or discharge; officer to take charge of jury.**

Sec. 20. After the jury is sworn, the jurors shall sit together and hear the proofs and allegations in the case, which shall be delivered in public and in the presence of the accused. After hearing the proofs and allegations, the jury shall be kept together in some convenient place, until they agree on a verdict or are discharged by the municipal court. An officer of the court shall be sworn to take charge of the jury, in the same manner as in a trial in a municipal court in a civil proceeding.

**History:** 1927, Act 175, Eff. Sept. 5, 1927;—CL 1929, 17445;—CL 1948, 774.20;—Am. 1980, Act 506, Imd. Eff. Jan. 22, 1981.

**Former law:** See section 14 of Ch. 94 of R.S. 1846, being CL 1857, § 3937; CL 1871, § 5538; How., § 7105; CL 1897, § 1032; and CL 1915, § 15782.