

Headnotes	Present Constitution	Constitution of 1867	Constitution of 1864
<p>Militia: Organized by General Assembly.</p>	<p>ARTICLE IX. MILITIA AND MILITARY AFFAIRS.</p> <p>Section 1. The General Assembly shall make, from time to time, such provisions for organizing, equipping and disciplining the Militia, as the exigency may require, and pass such Laws to promote Volunteer Militia Organizations as may afford them effectual encouragement.</p>	<p>ARTICLE IX. MILITIA AND MILITARY AFFAIRS.</p> <p>Section 1. The General Assembly shall make, from time to time, such provision for organizing, equipping and disciplining the Militia, as the exigency may require, and pass such Laws to promote Volunteer Militia Organizations as may afford them effectual encouragement.</p>	<p>when the tax of ten cents in the hundred dollars, authorized by the preceding section, may be discontinued in whole or in part, as the General Assembly may direct; the principal fund of six millions hereby provided, shall remain forever inviolate as the Free Public School fund of the State, and the annual interest of said school fund shall be disbursed for educational purposes only, as may be prescribed by law.</p> <p>AMENDMENT.</p> <p>Proposed by Act of 1865, resolution 11. Ratified 1866.</p> <p>Repealed Article VIII, Section 6.</p> <p>ARTICLE IX. MILITIA AND MILITARY AFFAIRS.</p> <p>Section 1. The Militia shall be composed of all able bodied male citizens, residents of this State, being eighteen years of age, and under the age of forty-five years, who shall be enrolled in the militia, and perform military duty in such manner, not incompatible with the Constitution and laws of the United States, as may be prescribed by the General Assembly of Maryland, but persons whose religious opinions and conscientious scruples forbid them to bear arms, shall be relieved from doing so on producing to the proper authorities satisfactory proof that they are thus conscientious.</p> <p>Sec. 2. The General Assembly shall provide at its</p>

Constitution of 1851	Constitution of 1776	Amendments to 1776 Constitution
<p>ARTICLE IX. MILITIA.</p> <p>Section 1. It shall be the duty of the Legislature to pass laws for the enrollment of the militia; to provide for districting the State into divisions, brigades, battalions, regiments, and companies, and to pass laws for the effectual encouragement of volunteer corps by some mode which may induce the formation and continuance of at least one volunteer company in every county and division in the city of Baltimore. The company, battalion, and regimental officers (staff officers excepted) shall be elected by the persons composing their several companies, battalions and regiments.</p>		