

and until his successor shall have qualified; and a person who has served two consecutive popular elective terms of office as Governor shall be ineligible to succeed himself as Governor for the term immediately following the second of said two consecutive popular elective terms.

3.

The Speaker of the House of Delegates shall then open the said Returns, in the presence of both Houses; and the person having the highest number of votes, and being Constitutionally eligible, shall be the Governor, and shall qualify, in the manner herein prescribed, on the [second] *fourth* Wednesday of January next ensuing his election, or as soon thereafter as may be practicable.

13.

All civil officers [appointed] *nominated* by the Governor and *subject to confirmation by the Senate*, shall be nominated to the Senate within [fifty] *thirty* days from the commencement of each regular session of the Legislature; and their term of office, except in cases otherwise provided for in this Constitution, shall commence on the first Monday of May next ensuing their appointment, and continue for two years, (unless removed from office), and until their successors, respectively, qualify according to Law.

ARTICLE III

14.

Legislative Department

The General Assembly shall meet on the [first] *third* Wednesday of January, [nineteen hundred and forty-nine, and on the same day in every second year thereafter, and on the first Wednesday in February, nineteen hundred and fifty,] *nineteen hundred and sixty-five*, and on the same day in every [second] year thereafter, and at no other time, unless convened by Proclamation of the Governor.

15.

The General Assembly may continue its session so long as in its judgment the public interest may require, for a period not longer than [ninty days in odd years and thirty days in even years] ~~seventy-seven~~ *SEVENTY days in each year*; and on and after January 1, [1949] *1965*, each member thereof shall receive a compensation of [Eighteen] *Twenty-four* Hundred Dollars [(\$1,800.00)] *(\$2,400.00)*, per annum, payable quarterly, with a deduction of Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00) per diem for each day of unexcused absence from any session; and he shall also receive such mileage as may be allowed by law, not exceeding Twenty Cents per mile; and the presiding officers of each House shall receive an additional compensation of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) per annum. [In any of said thirty-day sessions in even years, the General Assembly shall consider no bills other than (1) Bills having to do with budgetary, revenue and financial matters of the State Government, (2) legislation dealing with an acute emergency, and (3) legislation in the general public welfare.] When the General Assembly shall be convened by Proclamation of the Governor, the session shall not continue longer than thirty days, but [an] *no* additional compensation other than mileage