

enact other provisions relative to the registration of voters in lieu thereof, as follows :

AMENDMENT PROPOSED.

Amend by striking out all after the words "in lieu thereof," line 6, section 1, and insert :

Section 1st. The officers of Registration in each ward of the city of Baltimore, and each of the counties of the State, appointed by the Governor, in the year 1866, under the provisions of the 14th section of the Act of 1865, chapter 174, are hereby continued in office for the period of four years from the date of their appointment and until their successors shall qualify, and any vacancies now existing in said offices, or which may occur by death, resignation, refusal to act, or other cause, shall be filled by the Governor. And after the expiration of said four years, and every four years thereafter, the Governor shall appoint one Officer of Registration for each ward of the city of Baltimore and each Election District of the several counties, residents of said wards and districts respectively, and shall fill all vacancies in said offices. The said officers hereby continued in office and so appointed as aforesaid, shall be styled Officers of Registration, and shall register as qualified voters all white male persons claiming and entitled to the rights of the elective franchise, in the manner prescribed in the following sections of this Article. The said officers shall receive for their services the sum of three dollars for each day occupied in the discharge of their duties, and any vacancies shall be filled by the Governor; and all such officers before entering upon the discharge of their duties shall take and subscribe before the Clerk of the Superior Court of Baltimore city, and the Clerks of the several Circuit Courts respectively, the oath prescribed in the seventh section of the first Article of the Constitution, or the oath prescribed for office holders in the first section of the Act passed at the present session of the General Assembly, entitled, an Act to restore to full citizenship and the right to vote and hold office all persons who may be deprived thereof by the provisions contained in the fourth section of the first Article of the Constitution of this State, generally known as the Enfranchising Act.

Sec. 2. The said Officers of Registration shall receive from the Clerk of the Superior Court of Baltimore city, and the Clerks of the several Circuit Courts, the books of registration now in the offices of said Clerks respectively, and shall adopt and use said books for the purpose of effecting the registration provided for in this Article; and the said Clerks shall immediately upon the appointment and qualification of said officers, deliver said books to them, and also duly certified copies of the list of qualified voters now on record in their respective offices.