

Headnotes	Present Constitution	Constitution of 1867	Constitution of 1864	Constitution of 1851	Constitution of 1776	Amendments to 1776 Constitution
<p>New counties: Creation by General Assembly subject to referendum.</p>	<p>ARTICLE XIII. NEW COUNTIES.</p> <p>Section 1. The General Assembly may provide, by Law, for organizing new counties, locating and removing county seats, and changing county lines; but no new county shall be organized without the consent of the majority of the legal voters residing within the limits proposed to be formed into said new county; and whenever a new county shall be proposed to be formed out of portions of two or more counties, the consent of a majority of the legal voters of such part of each of said counties, respectively, shall be required; nor shall the lines of any county nor of Baltimore City be changed without the consent of a majority of the legal voters residing within the district, which under said proposed change, would form a part of a county or of Baltimore City different from that to which it belonged prior to said change; and no new county shall contain less than four hundred square miles, nor less than ten thousand white inhabitants; nor shall any change be made in the lim-</p>	<p>ARTICLE XIII. NEW COUNTIES.</p> <p>Section 1. The General Assembly may provide, by Law, for organizing new Counties, locating and removing county seats, and changing county lines; but no new county shall be organized without consent of the majority of the legal voters residing within the limits proposed to be formed into said new county; and whenever a new county shall be proposed to be formed out of portions of two or more counties, the consent of a majority of the legal voters of such part of each of said counties, respectively, shall be required; nor shall the lines of any county be changed without the consent of a majority of the legal voters, residing within the district, which, under said proposed change, would form a part of a county different from that to which it belonged prior to said change; and no new county shall contain less than four hundred square miles, nor less than ten thousand white Inhabitants; nor shall any change be made in the limits of any county, whereby the population of said county</p>	<p>the interests of the State in the said Public Works; they shall perform such other duties as may be hereafter prescribed by law; and a majority of them shall be competent to act.</p> <p>The Governor, Comptroller and Treasurer, shall receive no additional salary for services rendered by them as members of the Board of Public Works.</p> <p>ARTICLE X. COUNTIES AND TOWNSHIPS.</p> <p>Section 1. The General Assembly may provide for organizing new counties, locating and removing county seats and changing county lines, but no new county shall be organized without the consent of a majority of the legal voters residing within the limits about to form said county, nor shall the lines of any county be changed without the consent of a majority of the legal voters residing within the limits of the lines proposed to be changed, nor shall any new county contain less than four hundred square miles nor less than ten thousand white inhabitants nor shall any county be reduced below that amount of square miles, nor below that number of white inhabitants.</p>			