

ever, or to be an Elector of the Senate in as full and ample a manner to all intents and purposes whatever, as persons are now competent and qualified to act who are not conscientiously scrupulous of taking such Oaths.

1798

Proposed by Act of 1797, chapter 57. Ratified 1798.

The Mayor and Second Branch of the City Council of the City of Baltimore or any three or more of them, for the time being, shall be judges of the elections for Delegates of the City of Baltimore, and for Elector of the Senate, and shall have and exercise all the rights and authorities respecting such elections which were vested in the Commissioners of Baltimore Town, in virtue of the constitution and form of Government.

Proposed by Act of 1797, chapter 118. Ratified 1798.

Sec. 1. The people called Quakers, those called Nicolites, or new Quakers, those called Dunkers, and those called Menonists, holding it unlawful to take an oath on any occasion, shall be allowed to make their solemn affirmation as witnesses in the manner that Quakers have been heretofore allowed to affirm, which affirmation shall be of the same avail as an oath, to all intents and purposes whatever.

Sec. 2. Before any of the person's aforesaid shall be admitted as a Witness in any Court of Justice in this State, the court shall be satisfied by such Testimony as they may require, that such person is one of those who profess to be conscientiously scrupulous of taking an oath.

1799

Proposed by Act of 1798, chapter 115. Ratified 1799.

Sec. 1. The several Counties of this

State, for the purpose of holding all future Elections for delegates, Electors of the Senate, and Sheriffs of the several Counties, shall be divided into separate districts in the manner hereinafter directed, viz: Saint Mary's County, shall be divided and laid off into three separate districts, Kent County shall be divided and laid off into three separate districts, Calvert County shall be divided and laid off into three separate districts, Charles County shall be divided and laid off into four Separate districts, Talbot County shall be divided and laid off into four separate districts, Somerset County shall be divided and laid off into three Separate districts, Dorchester County shall be divided and laid off into Three separate districts, Cecil County shall be divided and laid off into four separate districts, Prince George's County shall be divided and laid off into five separate districts, Queen Anne's County shall be divided and laid off into Three separate districts, Worcester County shall be divided and laid off into five separate districts, Frederick County shall be divided and laid off into seven separate districts, Harford County shall be divided and laid off into five separate districts, Caroline County shall be divided and laid off into three separate districts, Washington County shall be divided and laid off into five separate districts, Montgomery County shall be divided and laid off into five separate districts, Allegany County shall be divided and laid off into six separate districts.

Anne Arundel County including the City of Annapolis shall be divided and laid off into five separate districts.

That Baltimore County out of the limits of the City of Baltimore, shall be divided and laid off into seven districts, and that the City of Baltimore shall be laid off into eight districts.