

1823

**Proposed by Act of 1822, chapter 112.
Ratified 1823.**

St. Mary's County shall be divided into five separate election districts, and the additional district shall be taken and laid off from the fourth election district as they are now numbered.

**Proposed by Act of 1822, chapter 116.
Ratified 1823.**

[The appointed commissioners are] hereby authorized and appointed, or a majority of them, commissioners to lay off and divide anew the fourth and fifth election districts, or the fifth district only, whichever they deem will tend most to the convenience of the voters in said districts in Anne Arundel County, into not exceeding three separate election districts. . . .

**Proposed by Act of 1822, chapter 204.
Ratified 1823.**

Every member of the Senate and House of Delegates before he shall act as Such, shall take and subscribe, the following oath or affirmation, to wit; I, A. B., do Swear (or affirm as the case may be) that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance, to the State of Maryland, and that I will Support the Constitution and laws thereof: That I will not directly or indirectly receive the profits, or any part of the profits of any other office during the time of my acting as Senator (or member of the House of Delegates) and that I will faithfully discharge my duty as Senator (or member of the House of Delegates) without prejudice or partiality to the best of my skill and judgment and that Electors of the Senate and all executive and Judicial officers before they act as such and all persons elected or appointed to any office of profit or trust, civil or military, before entering upon the duties thereof, shall respectively take and subscribe the

following oath or affirmation to wit: I, A. B., do Swear, or affirm, as the case may be, that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to the state of Maryland, and that I will Support the Constitution and laws thereof and that I will to the best of my Skill and judgment, diligently and faithfully, without partiality or prejudice, execute the office of according to the constitution and laws of this State.

1824

**Proposed by Act of 1823, chapter 111.
Ratified 1824.**

Sec. 1. The time of the meeting of the General Assembly of this State, shall be on the last monday of december in each year, instead of the first monday of said month as is now prescribed by the Constitution and form of government.

Sec. 2. The Governor of this State, Shall be chosen on the first monday of January in each and every year, in the same manner as is now prescribed by the Constitution and form of government, and the Council to the Governor shall be elected on the first Tuesday after the first monday of January in each and every year, in the same manner as is now prescribed by the Constitution and form of government.

Sec. 3. All annual appointments of civil officers in this State, shall be made in the third week of January in every year in the same manner as the Constitution and form of government now directs.

1825

**Proposed by Act of 1824, chapter 67.
Ratified 1825.**

All such parts of the Constitution and form of Government, made such by the acts of Eighteen hundred and sixteen and eighteen hundred and seventeen, which directs that Allegany County shall