

Headnotes	Present Constitution	Constitution of 1867	Constitution of 1864
Convening Legislature.	Art. 12. That for redress of grievances, and for amending, strengthening and preserving the Laws, the Legislature ought to be frequently convened.	Art. 12. That for redress of grievances, and for amending, strengthening and preserving the Laws, the Legislature ought to be frequently convened.	Art. 12. That for the redress of grievances, and for amending, strengthening and preserving the laws, the Legislature ought to be frequently convened.
Petitioning Legislature.	Art. 13. That every man hath a right to petition the Legislature for the redress of grievances in a peaceable and orderly manner.	Art. 13. That every man hath a right to petition the Legislature for the redress of grievances in a peaceable and orderly manner.	Art. 13. That every man hath a right to petition the Legislature for the redress of grievances in a peaceable and orderly manner.
Taxation.	Art. 14. That no aid, charge, tax, burthen or fees ought to be rated or levied, under any pretence, without the consent of the Legislature.	Art. 14. That no aid, charge, tax, burthen or fees ought to be rated or levied, under any pretence, without the consent of the Legislature.	Art. 14. That no aid, charge, tax, burthen, or fees, ought to be rated or levied, under any pretence, without the consent of the Legislature.
Poll tax prohibition; exemption of paupers from taxation; assessment of land, improvements and property; uniformity of taxes; power to impose fines and taxes; purpose.	Art. 15. That the levying of taxes by the poll is grievous and oppressive, and ought to be prohibited; that paupers ought not to be assessed for the support of the Government; that the General Assembly shall, by uniform rules, provide for the separate assessment, classification and subclassification of land, improvements on land and personal property, as it may deem proper; and all taxes thereafter provided to be levied by the State for the support of the general State Government, and by the Counties and by the City of Baltimore for their respective purposes, shall be uniform within each class or sub-class of land, improvements on land and personal property which the respective taxing powers may have directed to be subjected to the tax levy; yet fines, duties or taxes may properly and justly be imposed, or laid with a political view for the good government and benefit of the community.	Art. 15. That the levying of taxes by the poll is grievous and oppressive, and ought to be prohibited; that paupers ought not to be assessed for the support of the Government; but every person in the State, or person holding property therein, ought to contribute his proportion of public taxes for the support of the Government, according to his actual worth in real or personal property; yet, fines, duties or taxes may properly and justly be imposed, or laid, with a political view for the good government and benefit of the community.	Art. 15. That the levying of taxes by the poll is grievous and oppressive, and ought to be prohibited; that paupers ought not to be assessed for the support of the Government, but every other person in the State, or person holding property therein, ought to contribute his proportion of public taxes, for the support of Government, according to his actual worth in real or personal property; yet fines, duties, or taxes may properly and justly be imposed or laid, with a political view, for the good government and benefit of the community.

Constitution of 1851	Constitution of 1776	Amendments to 1776 Constitution
Art. 10. That for the redress of grievances, and for amending, strengthening and preserving the laws, the Legislature ought to be frequently convened.	10. That for redress of grievances, and for amending, strengthening and preserving the laws, the legislature ought to be frequently convened.	
Art. 11. That every man hath a right to petition the Legislature for the redress of grievances in a peaceable and orderly manner.	11. That every man hath a right to petition the legislature for the redress of grievances, in a peaceable and orderly manner.	
Art. 12. That no aid, charge, tax, burthen, or fees, ought to be rated or levied, under any pretence, without the consent of the Legislature.	12. That no aid, charge, tax, burthen, fee, or fees, ought to be set, rated or levied, under any pretence, without the consent of the legislature.	
Art. 13. That the levying of taxes by the poll is grievous and oppressive, and ought to be abolished; that paupers ought not to be assessed for the support of Government, but every other person in the State, or person holding property therein, ought to contribute his proportion of public taxes, for the support of Government, according to his actual worth in real or personal property; yet fines, duties, or taxes may properly and justly be imposed or laid, on persons or property, with a political view, for the good government and benefit of the community.	13. That the levying taxes by the poll is grievous and oppressive, and ought to be abolished; that paupers ought not to be assessed for the support of government, but every other person in the State ought to contribute his proportion of public taxes for the support of government according to his actual worth in real or personal property within the State; yet fines, duties, or taxes, may properly and justly be imposed or laid with a political view for the good government and benefit of the community.	