Headnotes	Present Constitution	Constitution of 1867	Constitution of 1864
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Constitution of 1851

Constitution of 1776

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have attained the age of qualified shall, on the first sheriffs of the several Countwenty-five years, nor as a Monday of October seven- ties be and the same are delegate unless he shall have teen hundred and seventy hereby abrogated, repealed attained the age of twenty- seven, and on the same day and annulled and the same one years at the time of his in every year thereafter, as- shall hereafter be regulated semble in the counties in by Law. which they are respectively qualified to vote, at the Proposed by Act of 1809, court-house in the said counties, or at such other place as the legislature shall direct. and when assembled they shall proceed to elect, viva voce, four delegates for their respective counties, of the most wise, sensible, and discreet of the people, residents in the county where they are to be chosen one whole or electors of the senate, year next preceding the elec- shall be and the same are tion, above twenty-one years hereby repealed and abolof age, and having in the ished. State real or personal property above the value of five Proposed by Act of 1836. hundred pounds current chapter 197. Ratified 1837. money, and upon the final casting of the polls the four persons who shall appear to have the greatest number of legal votes, shall be declared and returned duly elected for their respective county.

> 15. That the said electors of the senate meet at the city of Annapolis, or such other place as shall be appointed for convening the legislature, on the third Monday in September 1781, and on the same day in every fifth year for ever thereafter, and they, or any twenty-four of them so met, shall proceed to elect, by ballot, either out of their own body, or the people at large, fifteen senators (nine of whom to be residents on the western, and six to be residents on the eastern shore) men of the most wisdom, experience and virtue, above twenty-five

Amendments to 1776 Constitution

chapter 198. Ratified 1810.

All such parts of the constitution and form of government as require a property qualification in persons to be appointed or holding offices of profit or trust in this State, and in persons elected members of the legislature

Sec. 5. The qualifications necessary in a Senator, shall be the same as are required in a Delegate to the General Assembly, with the additional qualification, that he shall be above the age of twenty five years, and shall have resided at least three years next preceeding his election, in the County or City in and for which he shall be chosen.