

after, vote by ballot for one person, [or] resident of the district in which the voter is entitled to vote for delegates as aforesaid, and also having the same qualifications as are, or shall be required for such delegates, to be a commissioner for Washington county; and the judges of election for each district in said county, or a majority of them, shall certify under their hands, and return in a form and manner similar to their certificates and return of the election of delegates aforesaid, the number of votes given in their respective districts for a commissioner as aforesaid; and the judges of the several election districts in said county, when met at the court-house of the said county, to ascertain and certify the election of delegates as aforesaid, for commissioners as aforesaid, in the said election districts, respectively, and by a certificate to be filed in the office of the clerk of the said county court of said county, and which shall be by said clerk recorded, certify in a form similar to a certificate of the election of delegates, that the seven persons by name, residents respectively, of the seven election districts in said county, who they shall ascertain [receive] the greatest number of votes in the districts in which they so severally reside, are duly elected commissioners for Washington county, to serve for a period of two years from the date of the said election, and if any commissioner so elected, shall die, resign, refuse or neglect, for twenty days after said election, to qualify as commissioner under this act, or shall remove from said county at any time within the period for which he shall have been elected, the governor and council shall appoint a person qualified as herein before provided, in case of an original election, to fill his place until the next annual election for delegates to the general assembly, when the said voters of the district in which such [commissioners] so dying, resigning, refusing or neglecting to qualify, or removing from the county as aforesaid, was elected, shall vote in like manner as at first, for another person with like qualifications, as such [commissioner,] to serve for the residue of his said term.

Vacancies
supplied.

Oath.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That every commissioner elected or appointed as aforesaid, shall before he enters on the duties of his office, take and subscribe, before some judge or justice of the peace, an oath or affirmation, that he will faithfully, diligently and impartially, exercise the powers and perform the duties of commissioner for Washington county, as authorized and enjoined by law, according to the best of his skill and judgment, without being influenced by favour, affection, hatred, malice or ill will, and that he will in making all appointments to office, vote for such persons among those willing to accept, as in his judgment and belief shall be most capable and best qualified to perform the duties of such office, which oath or