

within the time, and according to the form as is prescribed, limited and directed agreeably to the provisions of an act of assembly in such cases made and provided.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That so much of the tenth section of the above recited act as is inconsistent with the provisions of this act, be, and the same is hereby repealed. Repeal.

CHAPTER 126.

AN ACT providing for the appointment of an Attorney-General.

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That from and after the passage of this act, the governor shall nominate, and by and with the advice and consent of the council, appoint and commission a person of sound legal knowledge, who shall be styled attorney-general of Maryland, and who previous to, and during his acting as such, shall reside in this state; and it shall be the duty of the said attorney-general, to prosecute and defend on the part of the state, all cases now depending, or which may hereafter be brought in, or removed to any of the counties of this state, by or against the state, or wherein the state shall or may be interested, in the same manner, as the attorney-general heretofore was accustomed to do or could do; and he shall have, exercise and use all and every the powers and authorities in and relating to the same, as the attorney-general heretofore had used and exercised, or can have, use and exercise in similar cases; and he shall give his opinion and advice whenever he shall be required by the general assembly, or either branch thereof, by the governor and council, or by the treasurer of the eastern and western shore, or any deputy he may appoint, on any matter or subject depending before them. To be appointed—his duties.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That the attorney-general appointed and commissioned in virtue of this act, shall, before he enters upon the duties of his office, take an oath that he will not directly or indirectly receive any fee or reward for doing his office, but what is or shall be allowed by law, nor will directly or indirectly receive the profits, or any part of the profits of any office held by any other person, nor claim or receive any fees for any business done by any deputy to be by him appointed; and that he does not hold the same office in trust, or for the benefit of any other person; and that he will not take either directly or indirectly, any fee or reward for the appointment of any deputy to be by him made; and he shall also take the oath prescribed by the act of seventeen hundred and seventy-seven, chapter five. Oaths.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That the attorney-general shall have, take and receive the same fees as the attorney-general Fees.