

SEC. 13. In case of death, disqualification, resignation, refusal to act, expulsion, or removal from the county or city for which he shall have been elected, of any person who shall have been chosen as a Delegate or Senator, or in case of a tie between two or more such qualified persons, the Governor shall appoint a person to fill such vacancy from a person whose name shall be submitted to him in writing by the State Central Committee of the political party with which the Delegate or Senator, so vacating, had been affiliated in the County or District from which he or she was elected, provided that the appointee shall be of the same political party as the person whose office is to be filled; and it shall be the duty of the Governor to make said appointment within fifteen days after the submission thereof to him. In the event there is no State Central Committee in the County or District from which said vacancy is to be filled, the Governor shall within fifteen days after the occurrence of such vacancy appoint a person who is otherwise properly qualified to hold the office of delegate or senator in such District or County. In every case when any person is so appointed by the Governor, his appointment shall be deemed to be for the unexpired term of the person whose office has become vacant.¹

SEC. 14. The General Assembly shall meet on the first Wednesday of January, nineteen hundred and forty-nine, and on the same day in every second year thereafter, and on the first Wednesday in February, nineteen hundred and fifty, and on the same day in every second year thereafter, and at no other time, unless convened by Proclamation of the Governor.

SEC. 15. The General Assembly may continue its session so long as in its judgment the public interest may require, for a period not longer than ninety days in odd years and thirty days in even years; and on and after January 1, 1949, each member thereof shall receive a compensation of Eighteen Hundred Dollars (\$1,800.00) per annum, payable quarterly, with a deduction of Fifteen Dollars (15.00) per diem for each day of unexcused absence from any session; and he shall also receive such mileage as may be allowed by law, not exceeding Twenty Cents per mile; and the presiding officers of each House shall receive an additional compensation of Two Hundred and Fifty

¹ Thus amended by Chapter 584, Acts of 1935, ratified November 3, 1936.

² Modified by Article XVII, Section 6.

³ Thus amended by Chapter 497, Acts of 1947, ratified November 2, 1948.