

referred or repealed under any Act of the provisions of this Article.

ARTICLE XVII.¹

QUADRENNIAL ELECTIONS.

SECTION 1. All State officers elected by qualified voters (except judges of the Circuit Courts of the several circuits, the member of the Court of Appeals from Baltimore City, and members of the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City), and all county officers elected by qualified voters, shall hold office for terms of four years, and until their successors shall qualify.

SEC. 2. Elections by qualified voters for State and county officers shall be held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday of November, in the year nineteen hundred and twenty-six, and on the same day in every fourth year thereafter.

² SEC. 3. All State and county officers elected by the qualified voters shall hold office for terms of four years.

² SEC. 4. All officers to be appointed by the Governor shall hold office for the terms fixed by law. All officers appointed by County Commissioners shall hold office for terms of four years, unless otherwise duly changed by law.

SEC. 5. Vacant.³

SEC. 6. Vacant.³

SEC. 7. Vacant.³

SEC. 8. The terms of the members of the Board of Supervisors of elections of Baltimore City and of the several counties shall commence on the first Monday of June next ensuing their appointment.

SEC. 9. Vacant.³

SEC. 10. Vacant.³

SEC. 11. The purpose of this Article is to reduce the number of elections, by providing that all State and county elections shall be held only in every fourth year, and at the time now provided by law for holding congressional elections; and to bring the terms of appointive officers into har-

¹ Added by Chapter 227, Acts of 1922, ratified November 7, 1922.

² Thus amended by Chapter 99, Acts of 1956, ratified November 6, 1956.

³ Repealed by Chapter 99, Acts of 1956, ratified November 6, 1956.