of Registration, who have the qualifications prescribed in the first section of this Article, and who are not disqualified under the provisions of the second and third sections thereof.

- Every person elected, or appointed, to any office SEC. 6. of profit or trust, under this Constitution, or under the Laws, made pursuant thereto, shall, before he enters upon the duties of such office, take and subscribe the following , do swear, (or affirm, as oath, or affirmation: I. the case may be), that I will support the Constitution of the United States; and that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to the State of Maryland, and support the Constitution and Laws thereof; and that I will, to the best of my skill and judgment, diligently and faithfully, without partiality or prejudice, execute the office ofaccording to the Constitution and Laws of this State (and, if a Governor, Senator, Member of the House of Delegates or Judge), that I will not directly or indirectly, receive the profits or any part of the profits of any other office during the term of my acting as—
- SEC. 7. Every person, hereafter elected, or appointed, to office, in this State, who shall refuse, or neglect, to take the oath, or affirmation of office, provided for in the sixth section of this Article, shall be considered as having refused to accept the said office; and a new election, or appointment, shall be made, as in case of refusal to accept, or resignation of an office; and any person violating said oath, shall, on conviction thereof, in a Court of Law, in addition to the penalties now, or hereafter, to be imposed by Law, be thereafter incapable of holding any office of profit or trust in this State.

## ARTICLE II.

## EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

<sup>1</sup>SECTION 1. The executive power of the State shall be vested in a Governor, whose term of office shall commence on the fourth Wednesday of January next ensuing his election, and continue for four years, and until his successor shall have qualified; and a person who has served two consecutive popular elective terms of office as Governor shall be ineligible to succeed himself as Governor for the term immediately following the second of said two consecutive popular elective terms.

<sup>1</sup> Thus amended by Chapter 161, Acts of 1964, ratified November 3, 1964.