

well as the bills which become law without such approval, to the Clerk of the Court of Appeals, to cause copies thereof to be prepared and certified under the great seal, and to cause such certified copies to be thereupon compiled and indexed by some competent person to be appointed by him for that purpose, and upon the completion of such compilation and index, to cause all of said certified copies as so compiled and indexed to be forthwith forwarded to the printer to whom the contract for printing the same shall have been awarded; and it shall thereupon become the duty of said printer to print the same promptly in accordance with the terms of his contract, and to deliver the same when printed to the State Librarian; and said person appointed by the Governor for said purpose as herein authorized, shall also, in compiling and indexing said laws, make appropriate reference to all certificates received by him from the Secretary of State, certifying the outcome of any referendum votes which may have been taken upon any law passed at the next preceding session of the General Assembly, and said certificate shall also be delivered by him to the printer and be included by said printer in the printing of the laws as aforesaid.

Secretary of State.

1922, ch. 29 (p. 43).

36. The Secretary of State shall be assigned to the Executive Department. He shall have and exercise the rights, powers, duties, obligations and functions now or hereafter conferred by law.

Corporate charters must be filed with secretary of state—art. 23, sec. 4.
See art. 2, sec. 22 and 23, of Md. Constitution.

An. Code, art. 85, sec. 1. 1904, art. 85, sec. 1. 1888, art. 85, sec. 1. 1853, ch. 448.

37. The secretary of state¹ shall have a seal for his department for the authentication of copies of records or papers in his office; but no copy of a record or paper shall be given out or certified by him of any order, entry or action of the governor, without the approbation of the governor.

An. Code, art. 85, sec. 2. 1904, art. 85, sec. 2. 1888, sec. 2. 1805, ch. 65, sec. 50.
1843, ch. 284, sec. 1.

38. He shall record all commissions to civil officers issued by the governor in a book to be kept by him for that purpose and shall transmit the same to the clerks of the several circuit courts for the counties and of the superior court of Baltimore city.

See art. 17, sec. 72, *et seq.*

An. Code, art. 85, sec. 3. 1904, art. 85, sec. 3. 1888, art. 85, sec. 3. 1852, ch. 172, sec. 4.

39. He shall preserve the reports of the clerks of said courts, transmitted to him from time to time, of the qualification of officers and shall be competent to certify to their character and qualification equally with the said clerks.

¹As to the duty of secretary of state to certify nominees for office, see art. 33, sec. 56. As to his being a member of board of state canvassers of elections, and his duties concerning the records thereof, see art. 33, sec. 95, *et seq.*

As to taking of the oath by secretary of state, see art. 70, sec. 2; see also art. 70, sec. 12.