

by himself with the corporate seal attached. All vacancies occurring in any of the offices which the Mayor is empowered to fill, during the recess of the City Council, unless otherwise provided in this Charter, shall be filled by the Mayor until the next regular meeting of the City Council, at which meeting the Mayor shall present the name of a person for confirmation to fill said vacancy, and the mode and manner of procedure in such a case shall be the same as provided for in this section for other appointments by the Mayor and confirmation by the City Council.

On construction of section 25, *see* *Robinson v. Baltimore City*, 93 Md. 212. *McClellan v. Marine*, 98 Md. 54. *Baltimore City v. Lyman*, 92 Md. 591.

As to oath of office and its legal significance. *see* *Thomas v. Owens*, 4 Md. 189. *Harwood v. Marshall*, 9 Md. 83. *Jump v. Spence*, 28 Md. 1. *Archer v. State*, 74 Md. 447; *Creager v. Hooper*, 83 Md. 501. *Davidson v. Brice*, 91 Md. 691.

As to term of and title to office. *see* *Thomas v. Owens*, 4 Md. 189, 15 Md. 465. *Jump v. Spence*, 28 Md. 1. *Robb v. Carter*, 65 Md. 334. *Archer v. State*, 74 Md. 453. *County Commissioners v. School Commrs.*, 77 Md. 283. *Miles v. Stevenson*, 80 Md. 366. *Creager v. Hooper*, 83 Md. 490. *Ash v. McVey*, 85 Md. 130. *Wells v. Monroe*, 86 Md. 445. *Duer v. Daniell*, 91 Md. 660. *Keyser v. Upshur*, 92 Md. 778. *Hagerstown v. Williams*, 96 Md. 237.

As to power of appointment and removal, *see* *Townsend v. Kurtz*, 83 Md. 340. *Hooper v. Creager*, 84 Md. 241. *Hooper v. New*, 85 Md. 565. *Hooper v. Farnen*, 85 Md. 587. *Field v. Malster*, 88 Md. 691. *School Commrs. v. Goldsborough*, 90 Md. 193. *Street Commrs. v. Williams*, 96 Md. 237.

1880, ch. 101. P. L. L. (1888). Art. 4, sec. 31.

26. No person shall at any time hold more than one office yielding pecuniary compensation under the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore. All municipal officials, except females, shall be registered voters of the City of Baltimore.

Baltimore City v. Lyman, 92 Md. 591.

1898, ch. 123.

27. All heads of departments, heads of sub-departments, municipal officers not embraced in a department, or special commissions or boards, provided for in this Charter, shall hold their offices until their successors are appointed or elected and qualified.

1898, ch. 123.

28. The heads of departments, heads of sub-departments, municipal officers not embraced in a department, and all special commissions or boards shall have the sole power of appointment and removal at pleasure of all deputies, assistants, clerks and subordinate employees employed by them, unless otherwise provided in this Charter.

Baltimore City v. Lyman, 92 Md. 611. *American Lighting Co. v. McCuen*, 92 Md. 705. As to appointment of subordinates prior to new charter, *see* *Hooper v. New*, 85 Md. 565.

1898, ch. 123.

29. All heads of departments shall have the privilege of the floor of the City Council at its sittings, and shall be entitled to participate in the discussion of matters relating to their respective departments, but shall have no vote. When the head of a department is a Board, or com-