

posed of more than one person, the President thereof shall be entitled to the privilege provided for in this section.

1898, ch. 123.

30. The Mayor, in appointing all heads of departments, sub-departments, boards and commissions or members of any such, composed of more than one person, shall appoint a minority of the members of each of such bodies of persons from a different political party from those forming the majority of said departments, sub-departments, boards and commissions or members of any such, and in ascertaining the political party from which such minority representatives shall be taken, he shall select from that party which cast the next highest vote at the preceding election.

### EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

1898, ch. 123.

31. The executive power of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore shall be vested in the Mayor, the departments, sub-departments, municipal officers not embraced in a department herein provided for, and such special commissioners or boards as may hereafter be provided for by laws, or ordinances not inconsistent with this Charter. All municipal officials, unless otherwise provided for by laws or ordinances, shall give bond to the city for the faithful discharge of their duties, to be approved by the Mayor, and in such penalties as may be prescribed by laws or ordinances. The Mayor shall be the chief executive officer of the city, and in addition to the following administrative departments, sub-departments, and municipal officers not embraced in a department, there shall be such assistants, clerks and employees to said departments, sub-departments and municipal officers as may be prescribed by ordinances not inconsistent with this Charter not herein otherwise provided for. The several heads of departments, heads of sub-departments, municipal officers not embraced in a department, and special commissions or boards, shall have the power to pass such rules and regulations, not inconsistent with the laws or ordinances, for the government of their respective departments as they may deem right and proper. All heads of departments composed of Boards shall hold at least one meeting every month for the purpose of consultation and advice, and in order to become familiar with the business and the mode of conducting the same, of the sub-departments of their respective departments. A record of all the proceedings and official acts of heads of departments and sub-departments, municipal officials and commissioners shall be kept in a well-bound book, and a certified copy of said record or any part thereof under the corporate seal of the city shall be admissible in evidence in any Court of this State as proof of such record or part thereof.

The said executive departments shall be as follows: