

thereafter, shall be made in like manner as in electors of president and vice president, save that the form of the certificate shall be varied to suit the case; and save also, that the returns, instead of being made to the Governor, shall be made to the Chancellor of the State, and addressed to the Chancellor of Maryland, under cover by the several judges of elections, in the different counties of this State, Howard District and the city of Baltimore.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That, of the persons voted for as Governor at any such election, the person having, in the judgment of the Chancellor, the highest number of legal votes, and possessing the legal qualifications, and resident in the district from which the Governor, at such election, is to be taken, shall be declared, by proclamation of the Chancellor, within ten days after such election returns have been received, duly elected Governor of Maryland, and shall qualify as such in the manner prescribed by the constitution and laws of this State, on the first Monday of January next ensuing his election, or as soon thereafter as may be.

Declared Governor by proclamation:

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That excepting the cases hereinafter provided, the Chancellor shall decide all questions in relation to the number and legality of the votes given for each and every person voted for as Governor, and in relation to the returns, and in relation to the qualification of persons voted for as Governor.

Chancellor to decide.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That in case two or more persons, legally qualified according to the provisions of the constitution of this State, shall have an equal number of legal votes, then and in that case the Chancellor shall communicate the fact, within ten days after the reception of the election returns of the State, in writing to the then Governor, whose duty it shall be, and who is hereby authorised and directed to convene, by proclamation, upon reasonable notice, the General Assembly, before whom the Chancellor shall forthwith lay all the election returns, and the Senate and House of Delegates, upon joint ballot, shall determine which one of them shall be Governor, and the one which, upon counting the ballots, shall have the highest number of votes, shall be Governor, and shall qualify as such.

Chancellor to report to Governor.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That in case any one voted for at such an election as Governor, and possessing the legal qualifications, according to the constitution of this State, shall come forward within thirty days after such election, and make oath, before the Chancellor of Maryland, that he has good and sufficient reason to believe

In case of fraud in election Chancellor to report to Governor.