## TITLE XV.

## Provisions applicable to several Classes of Afficers.

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## CONSTITUTION—ARTICLE XV.

- 1 Returns of fees to be made annually to the comptroller, excess over salary to be paid over, on failure for thirty days governor to declare office vacant, salaries limited to \$3000
- 2 The courts to continue until superseded
- 3 Governor and all officers to hold office until superseded
- 4 Now election in case of tie

- 5 Jury, judges of law and fact
  - 6 Rights of trial by jury
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- 9 Terms of office to commence from election, exceptions, librarian and commissioner of the Land Office
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SECTION 1. Every person holding any office created by, or existing under the 1858, c 444, Constitution or laws of the State (except justices of the peace, constables, and Returns of fees coroners), or holding any appointment under any court of this State, whose to be made annually to the pay or compensation is derived from fees, or moneys coming into his hands for comptroller the discharge of his official duties, or, in any way, growing out of, or connected 26 Md 499 with his office, shall keep a book in which shall be entered every sum, or sums of money, received by him, or on his account, as a payment or compensation for his performance of official duties, a copy of which entries in said book, verified by the oath of the officer, by whom it is directed to be kept, shall be returned yearly to the comptroller of the State for his inspection, and that of the General Assembly of the State, to which the comptroller shall, at each regular session thereof, make a report showing what officers have complied with this section; and each of the said officers, when the amount received by him for the year shall exceed the sum which he is by law entitled to retain, as his salary, or compensation for the discharge of his duties, and for the expenses of his office, shall yearly pay over to the treasurer of the State the amount of such excess, subject to such disposition thereof as the General Assembly may direct; Excess over if any of such officers shall fail to comply with the requisitions of this section salary to be paid over for the period of thirty days after the expiration of each and every year of his On failure for office, such officer shall be deemed to have vacated his office, and the governor thirty days shall declare the same vacant, and the vacancy therein shall be filled as in case declare office of vacancy for any other cause, and such officer shall be subject to suit by the vacant State for the amount that ought to be paid into the treasury; and no person holding any office created by, or existing under this Constitution, or laws of the State, or holding any appointment, under any court in this State, shall receive more than three thousand dollars a year as a compensation for the dis- Salaries limited charge of his official duties, except in cases specially provided in this Constitution

SEC. 2 The several courts existing in this State at the time of the adoption The courts to of this Constitution, shall, until superseded under its provisions, continue with continue until like powers and jurisdiction, and in the exercise thereof, both at law and in 32 Md 147.