

Mayor and City Council of Baltimore. He shall be appointed by a joint convention of the two Branches of the City Council on the Tuesday next after the fourth Monday of May in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, and on the same day and month in every fourth year thereafter. His salary shall be three thousand and three hundred dollars per annum, payable monthly, in addition to three hundred dollars for services rendered of the State, as provided for in section 108 of article 81, Code of Public General Laws. The Second Branch of the City Council, by a majority vote of all the members elected to said Branch, may remove the City Register from office for incompetency, wilful neglect of duty or misdemeanor in office, upon charges preferred by the Mayor, and after notice of such charges is given to the City Register, and an opportunity afforded him to be heard by said Branch. The City Register shall take under his charge and keeping the corporate seal of the city, and use it in all cases which are now or may be hereafter required by Federal or State laws, ordinances, or the uses and customs of nations, and shall charge a fee of two dollars for each impression of the seal, except such as shall be affixed to or impressed upon documents for the Mayor and City Council, or used in connection with the affairs of the city. He shall pay to the Comptroller, for the use of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, all fees so received by him. He shall have power to appoint a deputy register, with a salary of two thousand dollars per annum, payable monthly, and such other clerical assistants as may be prescribed by ordinance not inconsistent with this article. In case of a vacancy occurring in the office of City Register by removal or otherwise, the joint convention of the two Branches of the City Council shall forthwith fill said vacancy. He shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed by ordinance not inconsistent with this article, provided, the present incumbent of the office of the City Register shall hold his office until the expiration of his term, as now provided under existing laws and ordinances, and should a vacancy occur in said office a successor shall be appointed by a joint convention of the City Council for the balance of said term.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March 25, 1908.

CHAPTER 151.

AN ACT to add a new section relating to the grant of franchise or rights in the water front, wharf property, land under