

CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION OF MARYLAND

PROPOSED CONSTITUTION OF 1968

CONSTITUTION OF 1867

Section 3.10. Election and Term of Office.

A member of the General Assembly shall be elected by the voters of the district in which he seeks election, to serve for a term beginning at noon on the second Wednesday of December following his election and ending at noon on the second Wednesday of December in the fourth year thereafter.

Section 3.11. Vacancies.

A vacancy in the General Assembly shall be filled as prescribed by law. An appointee to fill a vacancy, when succeeding a party member, shall be a member of the same political party as the person last elected to that office. An appointee shall serve only until the next general election held at least ninety days after the vacancy occurs. At that election the remainder of the term shall be filled.

the Treasury all sums on the Books thereof, charged to, and due by him.

Sec. 6. The members of the House of Delegates shall be elected by the qualified voters of the Counties, and the Legislative Districts of Baltimore City, respectively, to serve for four years, from the day of their election.

Sec. 7. The election for Senators and Delegates shall take place on the Tuesday next, after the first Monday in the month of November, nineteen hundred and fifty-eight, and in every fourth year thereafter.

Sec. 13. (a) In case of death, disqualification, resignation, refusal to act, expulsion, or removal from the county, or city, for which he shall have been elected, of any person, who shall have been chosen as a Delegate, or Senator, or in case of a tie between two or more such qualified persons, the Governor shall appoint a person to fill such vacancy from a person whose name shall be submitted to him in writing, within thirty days after the occurrence of the vacancy, by the State Central Committee of the political party with which the Delegate or Senator, so vacating, had been affiliated in the County or District from which he or she was elected, provided that the appointee shall be of the same political party as the person whose office is to be filled; and it shall be the duty of the Governor to make said appointment within fifteen days after the submission thereof to him. If a name is not submitted by the State Central Committee within thirty days after the occurrence of the vacancy, the Governor within another period of fifteen days shall appoint a person, who shall be of the same political party as the person whose office is to be filled, and who is otherwise properly qualified to hold the office of Delegate or Senator in the District or County. In the event there is no State Central Committee in the County or District from which said vacancy is to be filled, the Governor shall within fifteen days after the occurrence of such vacancy appoint a person who is otherwise properly qualified to hold the office of Delegate or Senator in such District or County. In every case when any person is so appointed by the Governor, his appointment shall be deemed to be for the unexpired term of the person whose office has become vacant.