

any person elected a member of the senate, the same shall be filled up, if it shall happen during the recess of the general assembly, within one week after the meeting thereof, and if during the session, it shall be filled up within one week after such vacancy shall happen, in manner following, to wit: The house of delegates shall, by ballot, appoint nine of their body then present, and the said nine, or a majority of them, shall, by ballot, nominate to the senate three qualified persons, and out of such nomination the senate shall elect one person, by ballot, to fill the vacancy for the residue of the five years.

XXII. That not less than a majority of the senate, with their president, (to be chosen by them by ballot,) shall constitute a house for the transacting any business, other than that of adjourning.

XXIII. That the senate shall judge of the elections and qualification of senators.

XXIV. That the general assembly meet annually, on the first Monday of November, and if necessary, oftener.

XXV. That each house shall appoint its own officers, and settle its own rules of proceeding.

XXVI. That a person of wisdom, experience and virtue, shall be elected governor by the electors of the senate, when assembled to elect senators in the year seventeen hundred and ninety-six, and for ever thereafter by the electors of the senate when so assembled; and the said election of governor shall be made in the same manner as the election of senators; and no person