

hundred and fifty, for delegates to the convention to frame a new constitution and form of government, in such manner and under such regulations as are hereinafter provided.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That the election to be held for delegates to the convention, as prescribed in the third section of this act, the legal voters shall proceed by ballot to elect delegates to the convention, whose qualifications shall be the same as those now required for a seat in the House of Delegates, and each county and city of Baltimore, shall be entitled to the same number of delegates to the convention, as they now have respectively in the House of Delegates.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That the laws relating to the election of Delegates to the Legislature, shall in all respects govern and apply to the election of Delegates to the said Convention.

SEC. 6. *And be it enacted*, That the convention assembling in accordance with the call of the people and this act of Assembly, shall meet in the city of Annapolis, on the first Monday of January, eighteen hundred and fifty-one, and the said convention shall continue in session from day to day, until the business for which they have convened, shall be fully completed and finished, and the compensation of the delegates to the said convention shall be four dollars a day, and the said convention shall have power to appoint such clerks and other officers, as may be deemed necessary to facilitate the transaction of the business of the convention, and to fix their compensation; and that the Treasurer of the State of Maryland shall pay upon the order of the President of the said convention, to each member thereof, the said sum of four dollars per day, as herein provided; and shall also pay to the said clerks or other officers, upon the order of the said President, such compensation as the said convention shall determine to allow.

SEC. 7. *Be it also enacted*, That if any vacancy occur in either or any of the several delegations hereinbefore provided for, by death or otherwise, that the said delegation or delegations in which said vacancy shall occur, shall have power to fill the same.

SEC. 8. *And be it enacted*, That the Constitution reported and adopted by the convention assembled as aforesaid, shall at the general election to be held on the first Wednesday in October, eighteen hundred and fifty-one, be submitted to the legal and qualified voters of this State, for their adoption or rejection, and the voters shall on their ballots, plainly designated, express their assent or dissent to the adoption of the Constitution, submitted to them by the following words, written or printed on their ballots, to wit: "For the new Constitution" or "Against the new Constitution," which said ballots shall be counted by the judges of the election, and the number of ballots given for or against the adoption of the said constitution submitted to the people by the convention, shall be returned to the Governor of the State of Maryland, by the judges aforesaid, within thirty days after the time of holding the election, and in case there shall be any ballots without the designation hereinbefore prescribed, the same shall not be