The president of the Senate shall discharge the duties of Governor, in case of any vacancy during recess of the Legislature. In case of his refusal or inability to serve, the duties of the said office shall devolve upon the speaker of the House. (Article II, section 7, Constitution.)

The impeachment of the Governor may be provided for by the Legislature which may designate, and, on his conviction, or in any other case of vacancy of the office, may declare who shall perform the duties of Governor, and if any vacancy should occur, for which provision has not been made by the Legislature, the Secretary of State shall convene the General Assembly for the purpose of filling said vacancy. (Article II, section 7, Constitution.)

The Governor shall be the commander-in-chief of the land and naval forces, and may call out the militia to repel invasions, suppress insurrection or enforce the execution of the laws, but shall not command in person, without the consent of the Legislature. (Article II, section 8, Constitution.)

The Governor shall nominate, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, and appoint all civil and military officers, whose election or appointment is not otherwise provided for under the Constitution and the law creating said office, and he shall take care that the laws are faithfully executed. (Article II, sections 9 and 10, Constitution.)

In case of any vacancy during the recess of the Senate, in any office which the Governor has power to fill, he shall appoint some suitable person to said office, whose commission shall continue in force until the end of the next session of the Legislature, or until some other person is appointed to the same office, whichever shall first occur, and the nomination of the person thus appointed, during the recess, or, of some other person in his place, shall be made to the Senate within thirty days after the next meeting of the Legislature. (Article II, Section 11, Constitution.)

Persons rejected by the Senate shall not be again nominated for the same office at the same session, except at the request of the Senate, nor be appointed to same office during the recess of the Legislature. (Article II, Section 12, Constitution.)

All civil officers appointed by the Governor and Senate shall be nominated within fifty days of the commencement of the regular session. Their terms of office shall begin the first Monday in May, and continue, unless removed, for two years, except in cases otherwise provided for in the Constitution, and until their successors respectively qualify, according to law, but the terms of inspectors of tobacco shall commence on the first Monday of March, next ensuing their appointment. (Article II, section 13, Constitution.)