

Laws shall be recorded in the Court of Appeals, and shall be published, printed and certified to the several Courts under the Great Seal of the State. (Article III, section 30, Constitution.)

Laws, unless otherwise enacted, take effect on the first of June next, after the session, at which it may be passed. (Article III, section 31, Constitution.)

No money shall be drawn from the State treasury by order of resolution, but must be drawn by law, which must specify exactly the sum and object. The Legislature, however, has right to vote the Governor a sum of money for contingent expenses. An accurate statement of the receipts and expenditures of the public monies must be published with the laws after each regular session of the Legislature. (Article III, section 32, Constitution.)

Local or special laws cannot be passed by the Legislature in the following cases: For extending the time for the collection of taxes; granting divorces, changing the name of any person; providing for the sale of real estate belonging to minors; or other persons laboring under legal disabilities by executors, administrators, guardians or trustees; giving effect to informal or invalid deeds or wills; refunding money paid into the State treasury, or releasing persons from their debts or obligations to the State, unless recommended by the Governor or officers of the Treasury Department. (Article III, section 33, Constitution.)

No debt can be contracted by the Legislature, except a tax is laid that will pay interest and principal in fifteen years, and the taxes paid shall not be repealed nor applied to any other purpose. The credit of the State cannot be given or loaned to any corporation or association, nor shall any money be voted for works of internal improvement, except in the counties of St. Mary's, Charles and Calvert, and that not in the aggregate to be over \$500,000. No tax levied for a public debt can be used for any other purpose until the debt is fully paid, or the amount in the sinking fund equal to the public debt. The General Assembly may borrow for temporary purposes \$50,000, without levying a tax, and may contract debts to any amount in defence of the State. (Article III, section 34, Constitution.) Act of 1868, chapter 454, appropriates this money to the counties named, as follows: Charles, \$175,000; St. Mary's, \$173,000; Calvert, \$152,000.