

THE
CONSTITUTION
AND
FORM OF GOVERNMENT
OF THE
STATE OF MARYLAND,
AS IT STANDS,

BY EXCLUDING THEREFROM ALL SUCH PARTS OF THE ORIGINAL FORM
AS HAVE BEEN REPEALED, AND INCORPORATING THEREIN THE
AMENDMENTS THERETO.

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HOUSE OF DELEGATES.

ARTICLE 1. That the legislature consist of two distinct branches, a senate, and a house of delegates, which shall be styled the General Assembly of Maryland.

ART. 2. That the house of delegates shall be chosen in the following manner: every free white male citizen of this state, above twenty-one years of age, and no other, having resided twelve months within this state, and six months in the county next preceding the election at which he offers to vote, shall have a right of suffrage in the election of delegates for such county; and all free white male citizens, so qualified, shall assemble in the counties in which they are respectively qualified to vote, in separate districts, and the several counties of this state, for the purpose of holding all future elections for delegates of the several counties shall be divided into separate districts in the manner herein after directed; and the said citizens, when assembled, shall proceed to elect, by ballot, * * * * delegates for their respective counties, of the most wise, sensible, and dis-