

decision in any case in the County Court shall withdraw from the Bench upon the deciding of the same case before the Court of Appeals; and the Judges of the Court of Appeals may appoint the Clerks of said Court for the Western and Eastern Shores respectively, who shall hold their appointments during good behavior, removable only for misbehavior, on conviction in a Court of Law; and, in case of death, resignation, disqualification, or removal out of the State, or from their respective Shores, of either of the said Clerks in the vacation of the said Court, the Governor, with the advice of the Council, may appoint and commission a fit and proper person to such vacant Office, to hold the same until the next meeting of the said Court; and all Laws passed after this act shall take effect shall be recorded in the Office of the Court of Appeals of the Western Shore.

1807

**Proposed by Act of 1806, chapter 29.
Ratified 1807.**

Saint Mary's County shall be divided into four separate districts and that the additional District shall be laid off adjoining and between the first and third districts as (they) are now numbered.

1809

(June Session)

**Proposed by Act of 1809, chapter 16.
Ratified 1809.**

Hereafter upon the death resignation, or removal out of this State of the Governor, it shall not be necessary to call a meeting of the Legislature to fill the vacancy occasioned thereby but the first named of the Council for the time being shall qualify and act as Governor, until the next meeting of the General Assembly, at which meeting a Governor shall be chosen in the manner heretofore appointed and directed.

No Governor shall be capable of holding any other office of profit, during the time for which he shall be elected.

1810

**Proposed by Act of 1809, chapter 38.
Ratified 1810.**

No person residing in the City of Annapolis, shall have a vote in the County of Anne Arundel for Delegates for the said County; and all and every part of the Constitution, which enables persons holding fifty acres of land to vote in said county, shall be and the same are hereby repealed and abolished.

**Proposed by Act of 1809, chapter 65.
Ratified 1810.**

The forty fifth article of the Constitution and form of Government be and the same is hereby repealed and utterly abolished.

**Proposed by Act of 1809, chapter 83.
Ratified 1810.**

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, or in the City of Annapolis or Baltimore next preceding the election at which he offers to vote, shall have a right of suffrage and shall vote by ballot in the election of such County or city, or either of them for electors of the president and vice president of the united States, for representatives of this State in the Congress of the United States, for delegates to the General Assembly of this State, electors of the senate and sheriffs.

**Proposed by Act of 1809, chapter 167.
Ratified 1810.**

It shall not be lawful for the General Assembly of this State to lay an equal and general Tax, or any other Tax, on the people of this State, for the support of any religion.