- Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, (three fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses concurring), That the following sections be and they are hereby proposed as an amendment to Article 3 of the Constitution of Maryland, title "Legislative Department", amending Sections 14, 15 and 52 of said Article, the same, if adopted by the qualified voters of the State, as herein provided, to supersede and stand in the place and stead of Sections 14, 15 and 52 of Article 3 of the Constitution of Maryland.
- 14. The General Assembly shall meet on the first Wednesday of January, nineteen hundred and forty-nine, and on the same day in every second year thereafter, and on the first Wednesday in February, nineteen hundred and fifty, and on the same day in every second year thereafter, and at no other time, unless convened by Proclamation of the Governor.
- The General Assembly may continue its session so long as in its judgment the public interest may require, for a period not longer than ninety days in odd years and thirty days in even years; and on and after January 1, 1949, each member thereof shall receive a compensation of Eighteen Hundred Dollars (\$1,800.00)) per annum, payable quarterly, with a deduction of Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00) per diem for each day of unexcused absence from any session; and he shall also receive such mileage as may be allowed by law, not exceeding Twenty Cents per mile; and the presiding officers of each House shall receive an additional compensation of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$250) per annum. In any of said thirty-day sessions in even years, the General Assembly shall consider no bills other than (1) Bills having to do with budgetary, revenue and financial matters of the State Government, (2) legislation dealing with an acute emergency, and (3) legislation in the general public welfare. When the General Assembly shall be convened by Proclamation of the Governor, the session shall not continue longer than thirty days, but an additional compensation other than mileage and other allowances provided by law shall be paid members of the General Assembly for special session.
- 52. (1) The General Assembly shall not appropriate any money out of the Treasury except in accordance with the provisions of this section.
- (2) Every appropriation bill shall be either a Budget Bill, or a Supplementary Appropriation Bill, as hereinafter provided.