

favor of the call of a Convention than have been cast against the call of a Convention, then it shall be the duty of the Governor to issue his proclamation for the holding and assembling of said Convention, and of the delegates duly elected thereto, at the time and place hereinafter specified.

Sec. 3. And be it enacted, That in case a majority of the ballots cast shall be in favor of the call of a Convention as aforesaid, then the said Convention shall meet at the city of Annapolis, on the last Wednesday of April, in the year eighteen hundred and sixty-four, and shall continue in session from day to day until the business for which said Convention shall have been assembled shall be fully completed and finished, and said Convention shall have full power and authority to determine on the validity of the election and qualification of its members; and the compensation of the delegates to said Convention shall be five dollars per day, and the mileage allowed to members of the General Assembly of this State; and the said Convention shall have power to appoint such clerks and other officers as may be deemed necessary to facilitate the transaction of the business of the Convention, and to fix their compensation, and the Treasurer of the State of Maryland shall, upon the order of the President of said Convention, pay to each member thereof their per diem and mileage as hereinbefore provided, and shall also pay to the officers of said convention, upon the order of the President, such compensation as the Convention shall allow; provided, it shall be the duty of the Speaker of the House of Delegates, and of the President of the Senate, to provide a reporter of the debates and proceedings of said Convention, who shall act until the said Convention shall provide its own officers.

Sec. 4. And be it enacted, That before any member or officer of said Convention shall enter upon the discharge of his duties, he shall take and subscribe before the Governor of this State, who is hereby authorized to administer the same, the following oath or affirmation: "I do swear or affirm that I will, to the best of my skill and judgment, diligently and faithfully, without partiality or prejudice, discharge the duties of member of the Convention to frame a new Constitution and form of government; that I will support the Constitution of the United