

or holding his seat in the General Assembly of this Island, while in such office, unless re-elected after his acceptance thereof.

Not to extend to vacate the seat of a Member compelled under a fine to accept any office.

II. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That nothing herein contained shall extend, or be construed to extend, to vacate the seat of any Member of the House of Assembly, who may accept any office, to the refusal of which any fine or penalty is now or may hereafter be attached.

Mode in which such vacancies are to be declared and filled up.

III. And be it further enacted, That the Speaker of the House of Assembly for the time being, shall forthwith, upon information being given him in writing, under the hands of any two Members of the Assembly, that a vacancy has taken place, by reason of any Member having accepted office as aforesaid, inform His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, or other Administrator of the Government for the time being, of such vacancy having occurred; who is hereby empowered and required, within seven days afterwards, to issue a writ for the Election of a Member or Members to fill the place or places which may be so vacated as aforesaid: and in case any such vacancy shall occur during any prorogation of the House, or when the House shall be without a Speaker, or when the Speaker shall be absent from the Island, then and in every such case, a certificate as aforesaid of any two Members of the House, presented by them to the Administrator of the Government for the time being, shall have the like force and effect as if the same had been so presented by the Speaker.

Seat of any Member contracting to perform public work, or becoming security for any Contractor, to be vacated.

IV. And be it further enacted, That any Member of the House of Assembly who shall hereafter, either directly or indirectly, enter into any contract for the performance of any public work within this Island, or who shall become security for the same, shall vacate his seat in the said House of Assembly, in the same manner and under the same regulations