

judge of the election returns, and qualifications of its own members, and may adopt its own rules of proceedings, enforce order, and with the concurrence of two thirds, may expel a member.

Sec. 14. In a longer period than two days, neither House shall adjourn without the consent of the other; both Houses shall always sit in the same town, and each House shall have a negative on the other.

Sec. 15. Any Bill may originate in either House, and may be altered, amended, or rejected, by the other, and shall be read on three different days in each House, and having passed both Houses, shall be signed by their respective President and Speaker, and presented to the Governor for his approval. If he approves the same, he shall sign it, if he disapprove it he shall return it to the House in which it originated, within five days, with his objections; if he fail to return it within the above number of days, or, after it shall have been returned, it again pass both Houses, it shall be a law, without the Governor's approval.

Sec. 16. In going to, <sup>and</sup> returning from, and during their attendance in their respective Houses, the members of the Assembly shall be privileged from arrest in all cases, except treason, felony, and breach of the peace; nor shall they be questioned or made responsible, for any speech, or debate in either House.

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