

four of them, shall thereafter exercise all the powers, rights and privileges, and shall perform all the duties required by the existing laws to be performed by the said justices of the levy court of Somerset county; and no appointment of justices of the levy court shall hereafter be made, and all the powers lawfully exercised by or vested in the commissioners of the tax for Somerset county, and all the duties required by law to be performed by them, shall be vested in and exercised and performed by the said commissioners for Somerset county, after they shall have become qualified as aforesaid.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted,* That the commissioners Clerk for Somerset county shall, at their annual meeting, appoint a fit and proper person, who shall transact all His duties business, and discharge all the duties now appertaining to the several and respective officers of clerk of the levy court and commissioners of the tax, in the same manner as the clerk of Somerset county and the clerk of the commissioners of the tax for said county are now by law severally authorised and required to transact the same; and the person so appointed, shall, before he enters upon the duties of his office, execute a bond to the State of Maryland, to be approved by the said commissioners, in the penalty of two thousand dollars, conditioned for the true and faithful performance of the several and respective duties hereby imposed; which bond shall be recorded in the clerk's office of the county court of said county, and a copy thereof, under the seal of the said court, shall be as sufficient evidence as the original; and the said clerk, when appointed, shall also take and subscribe the following Oath of office oath or affirmation, as the case may be, to wit: I, A. B. do swear (or affirm) that, as clerk of the commissioners for Somerset county, I will honestly and faithfully, to the best of my skill and judgment, execute the duties of said office, without favor, affection or prejudice. So help me God. Which oath or affirmation, any one of said commissioners is hereby authorised to administer; and the said clerk shall be subjected to the same penalties and forfeitures for non-performance or neglect of official duty, as are prescribed by the existing laws in relation as well to the Liabilities

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