

Sec. 2. And whereas, it is probable that a part of said marshes and low grounds are vacant, and now the property of this State, *Be it enacted*, That the several and respective owners of the uplands, on each side of the said marshes and low grounds, shall be entitled to so much of said marshes and low grounds as may lie between their respective lands and the line of the ditch or drain herein provided for being opened, as now belongs to this state, and shall be considered and assessed as the proprietors thereof: *Provided nevertheless*, that any proprietor or proprietors of the uplands adjoining said marshes and low grounds, may, by relinquishing all right, title, and claim to any part of said marshes and low ground, and filing a deed of such relinquishment, in writing, duly executed and acknowledged, with the board of commissioners for draining said marshes and low grounds, at their first meeting after the line for cutting the ditch or drain through the same shall have been fixed and laid down, be exempt from any assessment or tax for ditching or draining the same; and in case any owner or owners of adjoining uplands shall make such relinquishment of his, her, or their right to said marshes and low grounds, the owner or owners of the uplands next nearest, on the same side of the line of said intended ditch or drain, shall be entitled to the part of said marshes or low grounds so relinquished, by filing with said commissioners an instrument of writing, satisfactory to them, binding said owner or owners, to pay the taxes or assessments which may be levied thereon, by virtue of this act; and in case none of the owners of uplands adjoining said marshes or low grounds, on the same side of the said ditch or drain where a relinquishment or relinquishments may be made, shall, within sixty days after any such relinquishment may be filed as aforesaid, acquire title to the part or parts, of said marshes and low-grounds so relinquished, then the owner or owners of the uplands nearest thereto, on the other side of said intended ditch or drain, shall be entitled to the part of said marshes and low grounds relinquished as aforesaid, by filing with said commissioners, an instrument in writing, satisfactory to them, binding said owner or owners to pay the taxes or assessments which may be levied thereon, in virtue of this act.

Sec. 3. *And be it enacted*, That all right and title of the State of Maryland, to all and every part of the aforesaid marshes and low grounds, from where the divisional line between the State of Delaware and this State, crosses the same, down to the footing or crossing at the Beaver pond,