

CHAPTER 131.

AN ACT to provide for the custody and use of the Great Seal of this State. Passed April 18, 1853.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the Great Seal of the State of Maryland shall be, and remain in the custody of the Secretary of State, but under the control of the Governor of this State, *who is hereby authorised and required to use the same, when proper or usual, in all interchanges or intercourse between this State and the General Government, the States and Territories of the Union, and foreign States, and in all cases provided for by the Constitution and by acts of Assembly.* Great seal to be in custody of secretary.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That the Governor shall not affix nor permit to be affixed the Great Seal to any paper or instrument, without accompanying the same with his signature. Governor to affix seal.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That this act shall commence and take effect on the eleventh day of March, eighteen hundred and fifty-four. Act to take effect.