

- tion, twenty-five cents ; issuing scire facias, twenty-five cents ; taking replevin, or other bonds, twenty-five cents ; and all fees received by the respective district justices shall be accounted for as herein after provided, and it shall be the duty of the several constables within the several election districts, to collect and pay over to the chief justice of the respective district courts, all fees by the said district justices or district courts respectively charged, under the provisions of this act, and not by them received, and the said constables shall receive therefor a commission of ten per cent. on all sums by them respectively received and paid over ; and every constable or officer serving or executing process of any kind under the provisions of this act, shall have and be entitled to the same fees as they are by law entitled to have and take, for the like services imposed on them by the existing laws, and from and after the passage of this act, the bonds of all constables shall be taken in the penalty of two thousand dollars, instead of the sum now prescribed by law.
- Constables shall collect and pay over.**
- His commission. Constable's fees.**
- Constable's bonds.**
- Judgments for fines.**
- Execution thereon.**
- Proceedings not to be set aside for want of form. List of fines to be returned.**
- Penalty for neglect.**
- Oath of judges.**
- No special pleading.**
- Account or claim to be in writing. Plea in bar.**
- SEC. 17. And be it enacted,** That for the recovery and collection of judgments rendered by the said district courts for fines, penalties and forfeitures, all executions shall be issued by the chief justice of the said court, directed to the sheriff or some constable of the county, and made returnable to the next ensuing monthly meeting of the district court, in the usual or in a substantial and intelligible form, and no proceedings or process of the said court, of the said justice, in discharge of their duties under this act shall be set aside for mere want of form ; and it shall be the duty of the chief justice of the said district court to transmit to the clerk of the levy court or commissioners of the county, as the case may be, once in every year, a full and correct list of all fines, forfeitures and penalties recovered or imposed in the said district court, under the penalty of twenty dollars for every neglect.
- SEC. 18. And be it enacted,** That each and every district justice appointed under this act, shall before he acts, qualify as such, in the mode now pointed out and required by law, for the qualification of justices of the peace ; and moreover he shall take the same oath or affirmation, which is prescribed by the constitution and laws to be taken by a judge of the county court.
- SEC. 19. And be it enacted,** That no special pleading shall be required in the said district court, but every plaintiff shall make declaration of his claim or cause of action, in a plain, substantial and intelligible manner, before the said court, in writing, and every defendant shall in substance and writing if required by the said district court, plead in bar the general issue, and distinctly or intelligibly deny the claim of the plaintiff, and give in evidence the special matter of his defence.