

are divided into election districts, the said commissioners shall also appoint for each of the said districts, one or more sensible and active person or persons, inhabitants of the district, to be assessor or assessors of the real and personal property in such district; and the said commissioners shall enter in a book, to be kept for that purpose, the name of the person or persons appointed assessor in each district, and shall immediately after such choice appoint a place and day, not exceeding ten days thereafter, of which five days notice shall be given by some one of the commissioners to each assessor, for the said assessors to appear before them, and at their appearance the said commissioners shall openly read such parts of this act, and the act to ascertain the value of the land in the several counties of this state for the purpose of laying the public assessment, passed at November session, seventeen hundred and eighty-five,* as relate to their duty, and shall advise them in what manner to make their assessment, and in what form to return their certificates thereof, and how to perform the several duties required of them by this act and the before mentioned act, according to the true meaning thereof; and the said commissioners shall also appoint a place and day, between the first and twentieth days of May next, for the said assessors to appear and bring in writing the several valuations of property in their respective districts, in pursuance of this act.

* Ch. 53.

Modified as to Baltimore County, by 1832, ch. 130, sec. 2, 3, 4 and 5.

SEC. 6. Merged in 1832, ch. 130, sec. 6.

SEC. 7. See preceding note.

SEC. 8. *And be it enacted,* That the said commissioners, in their direction to the assessors by them to be appointed in virtue of this act, shall be governed in all respects by the provisions and directions of the act, entitled, an act to ascertain the value of the land in the several counties of this state, for the purpose of laying the public assessment, passed at November session, seventeen hundred and eighty-five,† and of this act; and the said commissioners are hereby authorized to call on the clerks of their counties to deliver them a list of alienations from the first day of June, eighteen hundred and twelve, to the first meeting of the said commissioners in May next, and so from time to time as occasion may require, and also call on the clerks of their several counties for a list of all transfers of personal property which shall be recorded in their respective offices, and which shall take place after the assessment of property in virtue of this act, from time to time as occasion may require.

List of alienations and transfers to be furnished by county clerks.

† Ch. 53.

SEC. 9. *And be it enacted,* That if any person appointed an assessor in this act, and who shall accept of his said appointment, shall neglect to return to the commissioners certificates for such valuation of the real and personal property in his dis-

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