

Bond. missioners ; 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 one 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 said court, shall be as sufficient evidence as the original ; and the said clerk, when appointed, shall also take and subscribe the following oath or affirmation, (as the case may be) to wit: 'I, A. B. do swear or affirm, that, as clerk to the commissioners of Cecil county, I will honestly and faithfully, to the best of my skill and judgment, execute the duties of said office, without favour, affection, or partiality, so help me God ;' which oath or affirmation any one of the said commissioners is hereby authorized to administer ; and the said clerk shall be subject to the same penalties and forfeitures, for non-performance or neglect of official duty, as are prescribed by the existing laws of this state, in relation to the clerk of the former commissioners.

Oath.

Vacancy of clerkship. **SEC. 6. And be it enacted,** That in case of a vacancy occurring in the office of clerk to the commissioners as created by this act, in consequence of death, resignation, removal or disqualification, the same shall be supplied as soon thereafter as may be practicable, in the manner prescribed and directed by the preceding section of this act.

Clerk's compensation. **SEC. 7. And be it enacted,** That the said clerk of the commissioners, to be appointed in virtue of this act as aforesaid, shall be entitled to receive as compensation for his services, such sum annually as the said commissioners may direct, not exceeding the sum of three hundred dollars, to be levied on the assessable property of said county, collected and paid over as the other county charges are.

Present clerk to deliver over **SEC. 8. And be it enacted,** That upon the appointment of a clerk to the commissioners, to be appointed by virtue of this act, the clerk of the former commissioners shall, upon demand of the aforesaid clerk, by order of said commissioners, forthwith deliver over to the said clerk of the commissioners to be appointed by this act, all the books, accounts, papers and documents, belonging or in any manner appertaining to the said former commissioners, and in case the said clerk shall neglect or refuse to comply with any of the provisions or requisitions contained in this act, when called on by the said commissioners or the clerk thereof by their order, he shall, for every such neglect or refusal, forfeit and pay to the said commissioners, for the use of the said county, the sum of one hundred dollars, to be recovered by indictment or action in Cecil county court.

Penalty for neglect.