

AN ACT relating to Pensions by County Assessment.—1835, ch. 307.

WHEREAS, much of the time of the legislature is occupied in considering applications from indigent persons in the several counties in this state, and in the passage of laws for their relief which might be saved by vesting in the several levy courts or boards of commissioners, as the case may be, in the several counties, full power to receive such applications and grant the necessary and appropriate relief; therefore,

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That from and after the passage of this act the levy courts or county commissioners, as the case may be, of the several counties in this state, shall have full power and authority to receive, and in their discretion to grant or reject applications from indigent and distressed persons, within their several counties, for pensions, and the several sums of money by them so allowed to be made payable to the persons so applying, or to some other person for the use of the individual so applying, and the same to be levied at their annual county levies on the assessable property of their respective counties, to be collected as the county charges are usually collected and paid over, as may be directed by the said levy courts or county commissioners; *Provided,* that the said levy courts or county commissioners shall in no case exceed the sum of thirty dollars for any one year, in their allowance to any one person.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the said levy courts or county commissioners, may and they are hereby authorized, should the nature of the application in their opinion require immediate relief, to pay any amount not exceeding thirty dollars as aforesaid, from any unappropriated money in their hands, immediately upon such application to such applicant, or to such other person for their use as they the levy courts or county commissioners in their judgment may deem best.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That nothing contained in this act shall be so construed to apply to Baltimore, Caroline, Queen Anne's, Allegany, Cecil, Prince George's, Washington, Dorchester, Harford, Worcester, Anne Arundel, Calvert, Saint Mary's and Somerset counties.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted,* That an act of assembly, passed at December session, eighteen hundred and twenty-five, chapter one hundred and fifty, entitled, an act relative to out pensions in Charles county, and all other acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act, granting pensions by county assessment to indigent persons in Charles, Montgomery, Frederick, Talbot and Kent counties, be and the same are hereby repealed.

Preamble.

Power of levy court or commissioners.

To grant to indigent persons.

To be levied.

Limit \$30.

Authority to pay immediately.

Limit \$30.

Apply to certain counties.

Repeal.