

bestow, or directly or indirectly promise any gift or reward to secure any person's vote or ballot at any such election, any such person or candidate so offending, shall, on conviction thereof in the county court of the county wherein such offence may be committed, be fined at the discretion of the court, a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars, and suffer such imprisonment as the court may adjudge, not exceeding six months.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That all fines and penalties created and imposed by this act, shall be recovered in the same manner as fines and penalties are, by the act to which this is a supplement. How to be recovered.

CHAPTER 223.

AN ACT to continue in force the acts of Assembly which would expire with the present session.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That all such acts, and parts of acts of assembly, as would expire with the present session of assembly, be and the same are hereby continued for one year from the passage of this act, and until the end of the next session of assembly which shall happen thereafter. Acts continued.

JUNE, 1812.—CHAPTER 1.

AN ACT authorizing the several Banks in this state to loan Money to the United States.

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That each of the several banking institutions within the state of Maryland, be and hereby is authorized to loan to the United States, any sum of money not exceeding in amount one-third of its capital actually paid in. Authorized to loan not exceeding one-third of capital paid in.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That all loans hitherto made by any banking institution of this state, to the United States, are hereby declared to be as legal and valid, to all intents and purposes, as if such loans had been made by and with the consent of the legislature of this state. Former loans to U. S. declared legal.

CHAPTER 5.

AN ACT to authorize the Governor in certain cases to arm the Militia of this state.

Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the governor of this state, be, and he is hereby authorized, at his discretion to arm such portions of the militia of this state, who from their particular situation may be most exposed to invasion or insurrection, any law to the contrary notwithstanding. Governor empowered to arm militia at his discretion.