

CHAPTER 120.

AN ACT relating to Evidence in Civil Cases.

Proof regulated.

Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That in every suit or action at law or in equity, in which it may be necessary to prove the execution of any instrument of writing whatsoever attested by a subscribing witness or witnesses, it shall and may be lawful to prove the execution of such instrument of writing in the same manner and by the same evidence that the same might be proved if not attested by a subscribing witness or witnesses; Provided nevertheless, that nothing in this act contained shall be so construed as to extend to the proof of the execution of any last will and testament or codicil to the same.

CHAPTER 121.

AN ACT to repeal in part an Act, entitled, an Act directing the time, places and manner of holding elections for representatives of this state in the Congress of the United States, and for appointing electors on the part of this state, for choosing a president and vice-president of the United States and for the regulation of the said elections, and also to repeal the Act of Assembly therein mentioned, passed December the fourteenth, seventeen hundred and ninety, chapter sixteen.

Determination by lot repealed.

Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That so much of the aforesaid act as directs, that in case two or more persons in the election of representatives to congress have an equal number of votes, the governor and council shall determine by lot from the candidates who shall be the representative, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

CHAPTER 122.

A further SUPPLEMENT to an ACT, entitled, an Act for the relief of sundry Insolvent Debtors, passed at November session, eighteen hundred and five, chapter one hundred and ten.

Discharged from custody in certain cases.

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That any insolvent debtor who has obtained or may obtain a personal discharge under the original act and the supplements thereto, and to which this act is a further supplement, shall be, and he or she is hereby declared to be entitled to be discharged from custody upon any attachment or other process which has been or may be issued against him or her to enforce the execution of any decree which has been passed, or may be passed in the court of chancery or in any county court sitting as a court of equity against such debtor, for any debt or claim contracted before his discharge, under said insolvent laws; and it shall be the duty of the chancellor, or any of the county court as a court of equity, as the case may be, to order and direct the discharge of such debtor from the custody aforesaid.*

This and the 2d section are re-enacted in 1828, ch. 63.