

sixty-eight, and the bonds required by this act shall be renewed from time to time, as often as the governor and council in their discretion shall deem the same to be necessary to the protection of the public interest, and in case that any one or more of the said commissioners shall fail to give the required bond on or before the said first Monday in May next, the appointment or appointments of such commissioner or commissioners, shall be considered as vacated, and it shall be the duty of the governor and council to supply the same by a new appointment or appointments, without delay.

Renewal of bonds authorized.

Appointments vacated upon neglect to bond.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That before any commissioner of lotteries shall proceed to act as such, or shall be entitled to any salary, or other compensation whatsoever, he shall take and subscribe the following oath or affirmation before some judge or justice, qualified to administer the same, to wit: I, A. B. do solemnly swear, (or affirm, as the case may be,) that I will discharge my duty to the state as a commissioner of lotteries, according to law; and that I will present, or cause to be presented, in the proper county or city court, all violations of the laws of this state, relating to lotteries, that may come within my knowledge, or of which I may be informed, in such manner as to enable me to make, or cause to be made such presentment or presentments; which oath being so taken and subscribed, shall be delivered to the clerk of the city court of Baltimore, to be recorded and retained by him, and an office copy thereof shall be available evidence in all courts of justice and elsewhere.

Commissioners oath

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That it shall be the duty of the commissioners of lotteries, and each and every of them, under the penalty of five hundred dollars, to be recovered by indictment in the proper county or city court, as the case may be, one moiety when recovered, to be for the use of the informer, and the other moiety to the use of the state, to make presentment or presentments, of any or all, violation or violations, of any of the provisions of this act, or of any other of the laws relating to lotteries, or to the sale of lottery tickets in this state, that may come to his or their knowledge; and in all cases where he or they, or either of them may be informed of any breach or violation of the said provisions or laws, as aforesaid, or of any of them, it shall be his, or their duty to have the person or persons, who they or either of them, shall be informed has any knowledge of such breach or violation, summoned before the grand jury of the city or county court, as the case may be, to testify against the person or persons so offending.

Penalty for neglecting to prosecute for violators of lottery laws.

SEC. 4. The power of granting licenses is transferred by 1831, ch. 79, to the lottery commissioners.

SEC. 5. See preceding note.