

## CHAPTER 23.

AN ACT to incorporate the convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Easton.

Present style. WHEREAS, a new Diocese of the Protestant Episcopal Church, under the name and style of the Diocese of Easton, has been established within the State of Maryland, embracing the Counties of the Eastern Shore, viz: Cecil, Kent, Caroline, Queen Anne's, Talbot, Dorchester, Wicomico, Somerset and Worcester, formerly constituting a part of and embraced within the limits of the Diocese of Maryland; therefore,

New style. SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the persons who now constitute and may hereafter constitute the convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in "The Diocese of Easton," shall be and they are hereby incorporated and made a body corporate and politic, by the name of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the "Diocese of Easton," and by that name they and their successors to be elected, appointed and qualified according to the form and effect of the Constitution of said Diocese, for the time being shall have perpetual succession, and by that name be capable of suing and being sued in any Court of law or equity in this State, and shall have and use a common seal, and the same break, alter and renew at pleasure, and shall have and exercise such other powers as shall or may be necessary or proper to carry into effect the objects of this incorporation.

Seal.

Authority. Sec. 2. *And be it enacted,* That the said corporation shall have the same power and authority now granted by law to the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Maryland, for like purposes in said Diocese, to take and hold subscriptions or contributions in money or otherwise, and the same to invest, manage and administer for the support of the Episcopate in the Diocese of Easton, and for the various religious or charitable associations now existing or hereafter to exist in the nine Counties of the Eastern Shore aforesaid.