

tion has been guilty of such misuse, abuse or non-uses of its corporate powers and franchises, as by law would authorize and make proper the forfeiture of its charter, corporate powers and franchises, the Attorney General or State's Attorney so authorized, shall file in the Superior Court of Baltimore city, or the Circuit Court of the county, as the case may be, a petition in the name of the State setting forth fully and in detail the alleged abuse, misuse or non-use, by reason whereof the forfeiture is sought; and upon the filing of such petition the court in which it is filed, or any Judge thereof, shall lay a rule requiring the said company or corporation to show cause, within such time as the said Judge may deem proper, why a decree of forfeiture shall not be passed as prayed in said petition, a copy of which rule and the petition shall be served on the President, Manager, Secretary, or some other officer of the said company or corporation, by a day to be therein limited, not exceeding twenty days, as other processes against such corporation or companies are directed to be served; and further proceedings shall be had in said cause in conformity with the Act passed at January session, eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, chapter four hundred and seventy-one.

File petition.

Why decree shall not be passed.

Persons violating.

Proviso.

Further proviso.

36. Any person or persons, or any company or association violating any of the provisions of this Act, shall be subject to a fine of not less than one hundred dollars, nor more than one thousand dollars, which fines shall be sued for in the name of the State of Maryland, and collected as all other fines as are imposed by the laws of this State are now collectable; and any Act, or part of an Act, inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, be and the same are hereby repealed; *provided*, that no right of action accrued, or penalty incurred, under any existing law repealed by this Act shall be thereby waived or annulled in any way, but the same may be enforced under said Acts in the same way as if the repealing clause had not been passed; and *provided, further*, that when by the laws of any other State, any taxes, fines, penalties, deposits of money or securities, or other obligations or prohibitions are imposed upon