

LAWS OF MARYLAND.

SEC. 9. *And be it enacted*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March 25, 1904.

CHAPTER 163.

AN ACT to add additional sections to the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Frederick County," under a new sub-title to be designated "Coroners and Justices of the Peace," regulating certain duties of coroners and justices of the peace, acting as coroners for Frederick County; also regulating fees of physicians in said county attending coroners' inquests.

Coroners and justices of the peace. SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That additional sections be added to the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Frederick County," under a new sub-title to be designated "Coroners and Justices of the Peace," certain additional sections to be known as Section 1 and 2, which shall read as follows:

Duties of same in certain cases. 1. The coroners or any justice of the peace, acting as coroners in and for Frederick County, shall, upon the decease of any person in said county, where such deceased person came to his or her death by accident or mischance, and where there are such circumstances attending the death or surrounding the case as to amount to a strong probability or reasonable belief that the deceased came to his or her death by felony; and in all such cases it shall be the duty of said coroner or any justice of the peace acting as coroner to immediately summon some physician practicing within the limits of said Frederick County, or in any city therein, where the decease of such person may occur, to make due examination of the deceased and the cause of his or her death, for which examination the said physician so summoned shall be paid the sum of five dollars by the Board of County Commissioners for said Frederick County, and upon the advice or direction of such physician, given in writing under his hand to such acting coroner, for the holding of an inquest over the body of such deceased person, thereupon such written advice and direction given by the physician aforesaid, and not before, it shall be the duty of such acting coroner to summon or hold a jury of inquest over the body of such deceased person, as prescribed by the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland, in such cases made and provided, wherein the same do not conflict with this Act.

Physician's fees.

To summon a jury of inquest.