

CHAP. 315.

Make by laws,

a majority of them present at a meeting held for the purpose, may deem proper; and to make and ordain such by-laws as may be necessary for the organization of the said society; for prescribing the times of meeting, the qualifications and terms of membership, and all such other matters as may be necessary to secure to the said society an efficient and continuing existence, for the purposes of their incorporation, and for no other, and for regulating and managing the concerns of the said body corporate; *Provided however,* That the constitution and laws of this State, and the United States, be not violated thereby.

CHAPTER 315.

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A further supplement to an act, entitled An act for amending and reducing into system the Laws and Regulations concerning last Wills and Testaments, the duties of Executors, Administrators and Guardians, and rights of Orphans, and other representatives of deceased persons.

Orphans court or register in recess authorised to take probate, of any will, having relation to real as well as personal estate.

Section 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the orphans courts, and in their recess, the registers of wills of the several counties in this state, be, and they are hereby authorised and empowered to take the probate of any will, testament or codicil, whether the same has relation to real or personal estate, or to both real and personal estate, in the same manner, that the original act to which this is a further supplement, authorises the said courts or registers, to take the probate of wills, testaments and codicils, containing any disposition relative to goods, chattles or personal estate, which said probate as concerns real estate, shall be deemed and taken only as prima facie evidence of such will, testament or codicil.

Which as to real estate shall be but prima facie.

Time for widows to elect to renounce a bequest or devise extended to six months.

Sec. 2. *And be it enacted,* That the time allowed by law for a widow, to make her election, whether she will accept of or renounce a bequest or devise, made to her by the will of her husband, be, and the same is hereby extended to the period of six months, from the day upon which administration may be first granted on her husband's estate; and whenever, any widow who may hereafter deliver or transmit to the register of wills, of the county in which administration may be granted on her husband's estate, her written renunciation within the period aforesaid, such renunciation shall have the same effect and operation in law to all intents and purposes, as if she had renounced the same within

Renounce in writing.