

CHAPTER 265.

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An act to establish a Ferry, at Mataponi Landing, in Worcester County. Passed Mar, 26, 1836

WHEREAS, it is represented to this General Assembly of Maryland, by the memorial of sundry citizens of Worcester county, that they labour under great inconvenience from the want of a public ferry, at Mataponi Landing, in said county, across the Pocomoke river, to the land of William Adams, opposite the said landing, and have prayed that an act may pass to relieve them of their grievances:—Therefore,

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the Levy court of Worcester county, be, and they are hereby authorised and empowered at their discretion, if the interests of the inhabitants of Worcester county require it, to appoint five commissioners, and the said commissioners when so appointed, they or a majority of them are hereby authorised to purchase or condemn a lot of ground not exceeding the one half part of an acre for the use of Worcester county, on either side of the Pocomoke river, at and opposite to Mataponi landing, for the purpose of landing places, and on which to erect wharves if necessary, Locate wharves and the commissioners aforesaid, or a majority of them, are hereby empowered to contract for materials, and to agree with some person or persons to build and finish the said wharves, which when completed, shall be and remain as public wharves for the use of Worcester county.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That the aforesaid commissioners, or a majority of them, be, and they are hereby authorised and required to purchase a ferry boat, Ferry boat and the necessary ropes for the above contemplated ferry.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That the aforesaid commissioners before they proceed to act in the premises, shall take an oath that they will well and truly, and without favor or partiality, perform the duties enjoined upon them by this act, according to the best of their skill and judgment. Commissioners' oath