

An. Code, 1924, sec. 2. 1912, sec. 2. 1904, sec. 2. 1888, sec. 2. 1777, ch. 6. 1842, ch. 22. 1931, ch. 37, sec. 2.

2. All fines, penalties and forfeitures, when recovered, shall be paid to the county or city where the same may be imposed unless directed to be paid otherwise by the law imposing them. This section not to apply to fines and forfeitures for offenses at common law.

Sec. 528 of the Baltimore City Charter (art. 4, sec. 528, of the Code of Public Local Laws, 1938 Ed.), not repealed by acts 1931, ch. 37. *Baltimore v. Deegan*, 163 Md. 237.

Since, under this section, the state has no interest in fines, etc., an action by state to recover informer's fees cannot be maintained. *Sanner v. State*, 83 Md. 648. *Cf. State v. Green*, 120 Md. 689.

See notes to art. 15, sec. 1, Md. Constitution.

1931, ch. 37, sec. 2A.

3. No portion of any fine, penalty or forfeiture shall be paid to any informer.¹

See notes to sec. 2.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 3. 1912, sec. 3. 1904, sec. 3. 1888, sec. 3. 1874, ch. 59. 1898, ch. 87.

4. Any person who shall or may hereafter be committed to jail on any charge, including contempt of court, by the judgment of any court of justice or by any justice of the peace of this State for non-payment of any fine and costs not exceeding the sum of fifty dollars, who shall have remained in custody as aforesaid for the space of thirty days, or any person who shall or may hereafter be committed to jail aforesaid for non-payment of any fine and costs above fifty and not exceeding one hundred and fifty dollars who shall have remained in custody aforesaid for the space of sixty days, or any person who shall or may hereafter be committed to jail aforesaid for the non-payment of any fine and costs above one hundred and fifty and not exceeding five hundred dollars who shall have remained in custody aforesaid for the space of ninety days, or any person who shall or may hereafter be committed to jail aforesaid for the non-payment of any fine and costs above five hundred dollars who shall have remained in custody aforesaid for the space of six months shall be discharged from further imprisonment on account of said fine and costs.

Cited but not construed in *Cohen v. State*, 173 Md. 232.

A judgment sentencing an offender to jail until the fine and costs are paid, will be construed in connection with this section. *Dean v. State*, 98 Md. 84; *Callahan v. State*, 163 Md. 302.

See notes to sec. 1.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 4. 1912, sec. 4. 1904, sec. 4. 1898, ch. 407. 1900, ch. 23, sec. 4. 1904, chs. 178, 541. 1908, ch. 140. 1910, ch. 760 (p. 135). 1924, ch. 239. 1931, ch. 225. 1933, ch. 59. 1936 (Sp. S.), ch. 89.

5. One-half of the fines imposed and recognizances forfeited to the Circuit Court for the several counties of the State, shall be paid to the clerks of the respective courts, to be expended under the direction of the judge or judges of said courts for the augmentation of the libraries of said courts, and one-half of the fines and recognizances received by the City Register of Baltimore City from the justices of the peace in Baltimore City and the Sheriff of Baltimore City, as adjudged by and accruing in the Criminal Courts of Baltimore City, and collected and received by or through the said

¹ Sec. 3 of ch. 37 of the acts of 1931 repealed all laws inconsistent therewith.