

circuit court for the county, as the case may be, a petition in the name of the State, setting forth fully in detail the alleged abuse, misuse or non-user, 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 should 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 companies or corporations are directed to be served; and further proceedings shall be had in said cause, in conformity with the provisions of this article.

P. G. L., (1860,) art. 56, sec. 36 1858, ch. 432, sec. 8. 1872, ch. 388. 1874, ch. 400 1876, ch. 248. 1878, ch. 106.

138. Any person or persons, or any company or association, violating any of the provisions of sections 121-137 of this article, 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 imposed by the laws of this State are now collectible; provided, that when, by the laws of any other State, any deposit of money or securities is required, or taxes, fines or penalties, or other obligations or prohibitions are imposed upon insurance companies incorporated or organized under the laws of this State, and transacting business in such other State, or upon the agents of such insurance companies, greater than those required or imposed by the laws of this State, so long as such laws continue in force, the same taxes, fines, penalties and deposits, obligations and prohibitions, shall be imposed upon all agents or insurance companies of such State doing business in this State, instead of those prescribed by the laws of this State. Any deposit of money or securities required by this section shall be made with the treasurer of this State; and it shall be the duty of the treasurer to assign and change or surrender any such securities so held by him, upon the joint application of the insurance commissioner and the company to which they belong; and the treasurer shall make no transfer of such securities, except upon such joint appli-