

hereby authorized and directed to issue his warrant upon the treasurer to pay B. J. Seawick the sum of forty-seven dollars, and to pay W. H. Warren the sum of five dollars for services rendered as employees in State Tobacco Warehouse, No. 2, during the year eighteen hundred and ninety.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 7th, 1892.

CHAPTER 396.

AN ACT to repeal the act passed at the January session eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, chapter three hundred and fifty-three, as codified in the Code of Public General Laws, article twenty-seven, title "Crimes and Punishments" sub-title "House of Refuge," section three hundred and fifty-three, and to re-enact the same with amendments.

Preamble. WHEREAS, the act passed at the January session eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, chapter three hundred and fifty-three, reduced the number of managers of the House of Refuge below the number provided by law, prior to said act; and whereas the corporation, the House of Refuge, refused to accept the provisions of said act, and whereas said act was not considered operative, and was not acted upon by the members of said corporation, the House of Refuge, nor by the mayor and city council of Baltimore, nor by the successive governors of the State after the passage of said act, all of whom continued to elect or appoint the managers of said House of Refuge in accordance with the provisions of the law, existing prior to the passage of said act, and whereas doubts have arisen since the adoption of the Code of Public General Laws of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-eight in which the said act of eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, chapter 343 was codified, as to whether the said section three hundred and fifty-three of article twenty-seven of the Code of Public General Laws, is now operative; therefore in order to remove all doubts in reference thereto.

Amendment. SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That section three hundred and fifty-three of article twenty-seven of the Code of Public General Laws,