

Requested to open correspondence. SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the Governor be and [and] he is hereby requested to open correspondence with the Governor of West Virginia with a view to the establishment and ratification of the line between the States of West Virginia and Maryland as run, marked and located by the commissioners appointed under the act of eighteen hundred and fifty-two, chapter two hundred and seventy-five, and in case

Shall pass an act. the Legislature of West Virginia shall pass an act providing for the appointment of a commissioner or commissioners to act in conjunction with a commissioner or commissioners on the part of the State of Maryland in the premises, then and in such case the Governor be and he is hereby authorized and required to appoint a commissioner or commissioners, who, together with the commissioner or commissioners who may be appointed on the part of West

Review said line. Virginia, who shall review said line beginning at Fairfax stone and running due north to the Pennsylvania line, as surveyed, traced and marked by Lieutenant Michler. .

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That it shall be the duty of the commissioner or commissioners appointed by this act, after passing over said line, to

Make a report. make a report setting forth their reasons for the ratification, settlement and final acceptance of the line between said States; and it shall be the duty of the commissioner or commissioners of each respective State to forward copies of their joint report to each of their respective Legislatures, and upon the ratification of such report by the State of West Virginia and the State of Maryland, through their respective Legislatures, and the Congress of the United States, the said boundary line shall be fixed and established so as to remain forever.

Sum appropriated. SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That the sum of five hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the commissioner or commissioners hereafter appointed to carry into effect the provisions of this act.

In force. SEC. 4. *And be it enacted,* That this act shall take effect from and after the date of its passage.

Approved March 29, 1878.