

Chapter 142.

AN ACT to repeal section seventeen of article thirty of the Code of Public General Laws, entitled "Crimes and Punishments," under the head of "Bribery," and to re-enact the same with amendments.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That section seventeen of article thirty of the Code of Public General Laws, entitled "Crimes and Punishments," under the head of "Bribery," as repealed, amended and re-enacted by chapter three hundred and sixty-nine of the acts of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed at its January session in the year eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, be and the same is hereby repealed, amended and re-enacted as follows:

Repealed,
amended and
re enacted.

Penalty for
bribery.

17. If any person shall bribe or attempt to bribe any executive officer of the State of Maryland, any judge, justice of the peace or other judicial officer of this State, any member or officer of the General Assembly of Maryland, or any member or officer of any municipal corporation of this State, or any executive officer of such corporation, in order to influence any such officer or person in the performance of any of his official duties, and if the Governor or other executive officer of this State, any judge, justice of the peace or other judicial officer of this State, any member of the General Assembly of Maryland or officer thereof, or any member or officer of any municipal corporation, or mayor or other executive officer thereof in this State, shall demand or receive any bribe, fee, reward or testimonial for the performance of his official duties, or for neglecting or failing to perform the same, every such person so bribing or attempting to bribe any of such officers or persons, and every such person so demanding or receiving any bribe, fee, reward or testimonial, shall be deemed guilty of bribery, and on being convicted thereof shall be fined not less than one hundred nor more than five thousand dollars, or, in the discretion of the court, sentenced to be imprisoned in the penitentiary of this State for not less than two nor more than twelve years, or both