

Administer  
oath.

the sheriff shall administer to each of them an oath or affirmation, as the case may be, that he will justly and impartially value and assess the sum or sums of money to be paid by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore for the portion of the said wharf or pier so required by the said corporation, and the said jury shall reduce their inquisition to writing, and shall sign and seal the same, and it shall then be returned by the said sheriff to the clerk of the Circuit Court of Baltimore county, to be filed in his office, and shall, on some early day thereafter to be named by the said court, be confirmed by said court, if no sufficient cause to the contrary be shown, and when confirmed, shall be recorded by the said clerk at the expense of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore; and if not confirmed, the said court may direct another inquisition in the manner above described. The inquisition shall describe the property so valued for the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, and valuation when paid or tendered to the owner or owners aforesaid, his or her legal representatives, shall entitle the Mayor and City Council to the property so valued, as fully as if it had been conveyed by the owner thereof; and the valuation, if not received when tendered, may at any time thereafter be received from the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore without interest by said owner or owners, or his or her legal representatives.

Recorded by  
clerk.

Permit free  
entrance.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the said Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, so soon as it shall acquire the said portion of the wharf or pier mentioned in the first section of this act, shall cause the same to be removed so as to permit a free and unobstructed entrance to the said harbor of Baltimore, and the said Mayor and City Council of Baltimore is hereby authorized to levy upon the assessable property of the said city for such sum of money as may be necessary to pay to the owner or owners of said wharf or pier for the value thereof, together with the costs of such removal.

Effective.

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

Approved May 3, 1882.