

CHAPTER 183.

AN ACT to provide for the defence and indemnity of Henry Lloyd, J. Frank Turner, John S. Gittings, James I. Waddell and Lemuel Smoot, who have been, or may be, sued in the Courts of the United States, or of the State of Maryland, for certain acts alleged to have been done by them, or any of them, as officers of the State of Maryland, in the enforcement of an act of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed at January session, eighteen hundred and eighty-four, chapter five hundred and eighteen, entitled an act to repeal chapter one hundred and ninety-eight of the acts passed at the January session, eighteen hundred and eighty, being an act to repeal article seventy-one of the Code of Public General Laws, entitled "Oysters," and to re-enact the same with amendments.

WHEREAS by the provisions of the act of the General Assembly of this State, passed at January session, eighteen hundred and eighty-four, chapter five hundred and eighteen, certain duties were imposed upon the Board of Public Works, the Commander of the State Fishery Force and the officers under him, for the alleged performance of which said duties suit has been brought in the Circuit Court of the United States for the District of Maryland, against the said Henry Lloyd, J. Frank Turner and John S. Gittings, who, as Governor, Comptroller and Treasurer, respectively, constituted the said Board of Public Works, and the said James I. Waddell, Commander of the State Fishery Force, and Lemuel Smoot, Commander of the State Sloop Katie Hines, and which said act is alleged to be in violation of the Constitution of the United States; and

Preamble.