

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

Approved April 2, 1896.

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CHAPTER 128.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact with amendments Section 11 A of Article fifty-two of the Code of Public General Laws, title "Justices of the Peace," sub-title "Criminal Jurisdiction," as said Section was amended by Chapter 338 of the Acts of 1894.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That section 11 A of Article fifty-two of the Code of Public General Laws, title "Justices of the Peace," sub-title "Criminal Jurisdiction," as said section was amended by chapter 338 of the Acts of 1894, be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments, so as to read as follows: Repeal.

11 A. The several justices of the peace in the State of Maryland (except the city of Baltimore), and in Talbot, Harford, Montgomery and Frederick counties, shall have, in addition to the jurisdiction which they now possess, and which may be conferred on them by or under the Laws of this State, jurisdiction concurrent with that exercised by the Circuit Courts for the several counties of this State, in all cases of assault without any felonious intent; and in all cases of assault and battery, and in all cases of petty larceny when the value of the property stolen does not exceed the sum of five dollars, and in misdemeanors not punishable by confinement in the penitentiary, which may be committed within their respective jurisdiction; and shall have jurisdiction in all prosecutions or proceedings for recovery of any penalty for doing or omitting to do any act, the doing of which, or the omission to do which, is made punishable under the law of this State, within their said jurisdiction by any pecuniary fine or penalty, or by imprisonment in jail or in the Maryland House of Correction, all of which acts or omissions are hereby declared to be criminal offenses; and the said justice shall have power to issue all processes, and to do all acts which may be necessary to the exercise of their said jurisdiction; may try and determine all Jurisdiction of justices of the peace.