

Maryland, hereafter engaged in mining and shipping coal in Allegany county, be and the same are hereby required to pay each and all their employees their wages earned in said employment semi-monthly; that is to say, all wages earned on and before the 15th of each month shall be paid not later than upon the 25th day of said month; and all wages earned from the 16th to the end of each month, shall be paid not later than the tenth day of the succeeding month, unless said 25th day or 10th day of any month shall fall on Sunday or a legal holiday, in which case the time for payment shall be extended to the next day.

Employees to be paid semi-monthly.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That any such corporation, wilfully refusing to make said payments of wages at the times hereinbefore specified, or wilfully withholding said wages from said employees beyond said times, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon indictment and conviction thereof shall be fined not less than \$50 nor more than \$300, in the discretion of the court.

Penalty for refusal.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect on or before the 5th day of April, 1896.

Effective.

Approved April 4th, 1896.

CHAPTER 134.

AN ACT to provide for the completion of the Records of the Soldiers, Sailors and Marines, accredited to the State of Maryland, in the late Civil War, and to publish the same, and to make a suitable appropriation therefor.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the Governor shall, within thirty days after the passage of this act, appoint three citizens, of whom the Adjutant General of the State shall be one, and the other two of whom shall be representative soldiers, who served in actual warfare, as a part of the quota of the State of Maryland in the United States Army or Navy during the late Civil War, as commissioners of the State to carry out the provisions of this act, as hereinafter provided, and who shall serve without pay.

Appointment of commissioners.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That it shall be the duty of the said commissioners, under this act, to classify and compile, from the documents in the Adjutant General's office, the