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may recover the same by action in the Circuit Court or before the justice of the peace according to the amount so awarded and may collect such award as other town taxes are collected; provided that before the passage of any ordinances requiring the whole or any portion of such sidewalks and gutters to be paved and graded, or repaved and regraded, and for the assessment of the expense of such work upon the abutting owner, ten days' notice shall be given in some newspaper published in the town of Preston, and if no newspaper be published in the town of Preston, then in some newspaper published in Caroline county, and an opportunity shall be afforded all persons interested therein to be heard by and before said commissioners.

Approved April 2, 1906.

#### CHAPTER 294.

AN ACT to Establish a State Board of Forestry and to Promote Forest Interests and Arborculture in the State.

State board of  
forestry.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That there shall be a State Board of Forestry, consisting of seven members, the Governor, Comptroller, president of Johns Hopkins University, president of the Maryland State Agricultural College, State Geologist, and one citizen of the State known to be interested in the advancement of forestry, and one practical lumberman engaged in the manufacture of lumber within this State, who shall be appointed by the Governor, to serve for a term of two years, which board shall act without compensation, save for actual necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their official duties.

State forester  
appointed.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That there shall be appointed by the Board of Forestry, a State Forester, who shall have a practical knowledge of forestry, and who shall be a trained forester; his compensation shall be fixed by the board, and shall not exceed \$2,000 per annum, and reasonable traveling and field expenses incurred in the performance of his official duties. He shall, under the general supervision of the State Board of Forestry, have direction of all forest interests, and all matters pertaining to forestry within the jurisdiction of the State. He shall have charge of all forest wardens in the State, and aid and direct them in their work;