

Office to be made fire proof. SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That the two officials aforesaid be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to have the said office of the register of wills wherein the said records are stored made fire proof, by having it fitted up with an iron door, iron shelves and window frames, and a stone or cement or other incombustible floor.

Appropriation. SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That the sum of one thousand five hundred dollars, or so much thereof as may be found necessary, be and the same is hereby appropriated: first, to pay the cost of making fire proof said office, and indexing the said several volumes mentioned in the preceding section, and for purchasing the books necessary for that purpose; provided, that the cost of said indexing shall be paid for at the rate now fixed by law for indexing the books of the office of the said register of wills; and second, to pay the cost of the number of patent file holders and jackets necessary for the proper arrangement therein of the said original wills, and the cost of arranging the same; provided, that the cost of said file holders and jackets and the arrangement of said wills shall not exceed the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars; and the Comptroller of the Treasury of Maryland is hereby authorized and directed to issue his warrant to the Treasurer, payable to the order of said register of wills, from time to time as the said work shall have been done, and purchases shall have been made, and the said indexing and arranging shall have progressed, for the amounts necessary to pay the costs thereof, not to exceed in the whole the sum of one thousand five hundred dollars; provided, the said register of wills and Governor shall from time to time file with the Comptroller itemized accounts for such purchases, indexing and arranging, duly certified by them to be correct.

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

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