

miners engaged in any of said mines to carefully prop and timber all rooms, headings and other excavations wherein they may be working, as close up to their work as may be reasonably practicable, so as to guard, as far as practicable, against all accidents from falls of roof, side or breast, coal or slate, earth or other surrounding matter, and any miner or other person employed or working in or about said mines who shall be guilty of any wilful negligence in respect of any of the matters specified in this section, whereby the lives, health or safety of any co-laborers in and about any of said mines, or any of the property of the owners in or about said mines may be lost, destroyed or injured, or unnecessarily jeopardized, shall be liable to indictment, and upon conviction, to be fined as hereinafter provided; and whenever in any case it shall be brought to the notice of the Mine Inspector that any person is violating any of the provisions of this section, he shall at once order such person to take immediate steps to secure the safety of the person or property so jeopardized, and in case of the refusal of any person to comply with such order, it shall be the duty of said inspector to proceed at once to have such offender arrested and punished in accordance with the provision of this Act.

“209 of Article one, and 163 of Article 12.” That the grand juries that may be hereafter summoned by the Circuit Courts for Allegany and Garrett counties are hereby authorized and empowered to summon said inspector before them, then at each term of court in said counties, and to examine into and take cognizance of the conduct of any Mine Inspector appointed under this Act, and in case any grand jury of either Allegany or Garrett counties shall at any time recommend in their report that any Mine Inspector appointed under the provisions of this Act should be removed from his office for misbehavior therein, neglect of duty, incompetency or inability through any cause to act, then, and in such case the clerk of the Circuit Court in which such report is filed shall forthwith transmit a copy of the same, certified under the seal of the court, to the Governor of Maryland, who upon receipt of the same, shall at once remove such Mine Inspector and proceed to appoint some other person to the office in his stead, to serve until the appointment of his successor as hereinbefore provided.

“209 A of Article 1, and 164 of Article 12.” That it shall be lawful, however, notwithstanding the provisions of this Act, in relation to weigh-master and the weighing of coal, for

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