

CHAPTER 448.

AN ACT providing for the appointment of a coroner for the twelfth election district of Baltimore county, who shall have sole and exclusive power and jurisdiction in said district to hold inquests on the bodies of deceased persons in said district in cases where inquests are required by law to be held in said district, and who shall have sole and exclusive power and jurisdiction in said district to exercise and perform the duties and functions of coroner in said district in cases where the duties and functions of a coroner are required by law to be exercised and performed in said district, and prescribing the duties and fixing the amount of compensation of such coroner, and authorizing the County Commissioners of Baltimore county to levy therefor.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the Governor of Maryland, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate of Maryland, shall appoint and commission a coroner for the twelfth election district of Baltimore county.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That the coroner so appointed for the twelfth election district of Baltimore county shall have sole and exclusive power and jurisdiction in said district to hold inquests on the bodies of deceased persons in said district in cases where inquests are required by law to be held, and shall have sole and exclusive power and jurisdiction to exercise and perform the duties and functions of coroner in said district in cases where the duties and functions of a coroner are by law to be exercised and performed in said district.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That the said coroner so appointed shall exercise and perform within the limits of said district all the duties and functions of a coroner in said district, as the said duties and functions are now provided and required by law, and shall qualify as provided by law, and shall be subject to all the provisions of the laws of the State of Maryland relating to coroners not inconsistent herewith.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted,* That no justices of the peace now or hereafter appointed for said twelfth election district of Baltimore county shall, after the passage of this Act, exercise or perform any of the duties or functions of a coroner within the limits of said twelfth election district of said county; provided, that if the said coroner so appointed for the said twelfth election district of said county should be prevented by illness or enforced absence from attending to his duties, then a justice of the peace of an adjoining election district of said county,