levy in their levy of 1908 and annually thereafter, on the assessable property in said county, the amount of money necessary to pay said appropriation.

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 6, 1908.

## CHAPTER 86.

AN ACT to add five new sections to article 13 of the Code of Public Local Laws, title "Harford County," sub-title "Circuit Court," to follow after section 53 and to be designated sections 53A, 53B, 53C, 53D and 53E, authorizing the appoint of a stenographic clerk to the grand jury, and defining his duties and obligations and pay.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That five additional section be added to article 13 of the Code of Public Local Laws, title "Harford County," sub-title "Circuit Court," to follow after section 53, and to be designated as sections 53A, 53B, 53C, 53D and 53E, authorizing the appointment of a stenographic clerk to the grand jury, and defining his duties, obligations and pay, and to read as follows:

SEC. 53A. Upon the organization of each and every grand jury as now provided by law, and at the request of said grand jury, signified in writing to the judge or judges of the Circuit Court, the said judge or judges are authorized and empowered to appoint a clerk, who shall be a competent stenographer, who shall be subject to such rules and orders as shall be made and passed by the Circuit Court, and said clerk, if so directed and required, so to do, and not otherwise, shall have authority to be present at all sessions of said grand jury and shall take and transcribe the testimony given before such grand jury, and whenever desired by the State's Attorney, shall attend upon and take and transcribe the testimony given at the coroner's inquest, and all testimony so taken and transcribed shall be for the exclusive use of the grand jury and the State's Attorney of said county, unless otherwise ordered by the Circuit Court.

SEC. 538. The person so appointed clerk, before entering upon the duties of such office, shall take and subscribe before the clerk of the Circuit Court an oath that he will keep secret all matters and things occurring before said grand jury, or in such form as the Circuit Court may order and require.