

Passed June 13, 1861. AN ACT to amend the fourth Article of the Code

of Public Laws, relating to the city of Baltimore, by authorizing the Board of Police of said city, to cause the closing of bar-rooms, bars, drinking-houses and liquor-shops in said city, and the sale or furnishing of liquor thereat, when necessary for the preservation of the public peace.

Amended. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the fourth Article of the Code of Public Laws, be, and the same is hereby amended, by adding thereto the following sections, viz:

Temporary closing of bar rooms.

SECTION 1. The said Board of Police are further authorized, whenever in their judgment the public peace and tranquillity may require, to order and cause to be effected the temporary closing of any and all bar-rooms, bars, drinking-houses and liquor shops in the city of Baltimore, and to forbid the selling or furnishing of liquors thereat.

Penalty.

SEC. 2. Any proprietor or keeper of any such drinking place or places as are enumerated in the last preceding section, who shall refuse or fail to obey any order of said Board of Police passed in pursuance thereof, or who shall sell or furnish liquor from such place or places during such period as said Board shall so forbid, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to indictment therefor, and shall further be subject to a penalty of not less than one hundred and fifty dollars for every such offense, to be recovered by civil proceeding, in the name of the State, for the use of the said Board.

In force.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That this act shall go into effect from the day of its passage.