

CHAPTER 246.

AN ACT to explain an act passed by the General Assembly of Maryland at its present session, to aid and encourage enlistments into the Maryland regiments in the service of the United States.

Passed Mar.
10, 1864.

WHEREAS, doubts exist as to the proper construction of the Proviso in the third section of the act passed by the General Assembly of this State at its present session, entitled, an act to aid and encourage enlistments into the Maryland regiments in the service of the United States.

Preamble.

SECTION 1: *Be it therefore enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, As the true construction of said Proviso, that all non-resident volunteers enlisting as provided in said act, shall be entitled to the bounty provided thereby, and shall be credited to such county or city as they may respectively elect, and the provisions of said act shall apply, and the bounty thereby offered shall be paid to all volunteers who shall have enlisted prior to the first day of March, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, and prior to the passage of said law, and shall be credited as a part of the quota of this State, under the late call of the President of the United States, and where said volunteer is a slave, the bounty shall be paid as provided by said original act, and that the County Commissioners of the several counties of this State, and the corporate authorities of the city of Baltimore shall be authorized to offer any additional bounty or to levy any taxes for that purpose. No such bounty shall be paid to any person unless an actual resident of Baltimore city for six months, before receiving the same; and every person so claiming said city, and the several counties of this State bounty, shall state under oath that he has so resided before he shall receive the same, and prove such residence by testimony of white person under oath.

Bounties
paid to volun-
teers.

Sec. 2. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

In force.