

CHAPTER 371.

AN ACT to add a new section to Article twenty-six of the Code of Public General Laws, relating to Corporations, so as to provide a more summary remedy against companies incorporated by this State with authority for transport persons or property for hire.

Passed March
10, 1864.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the following be enacted as an additional section to Article twenty-six of the Code of Public General Laws, relating to Corporations, to wit:

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added.

If any person is or shall be aggrieved by any company incorporated by the Laws of this State with authority to transport or carry persons or property for hire by reason of any thing done or omitted to be done by the said company, in violation or contravention of its duty in regard to the transportation or carriage of property or persons as aforesaid, it shall and may be lawful for such person to apply by petition in a summary way to the Circuit Court for the county, or Superior Court for the city of Baltimore, where said company shall have an office for the transaction of business, for relief against the said alleged grievance, and thereupon the said court shall appoint a short day for hearing the matter of the said petition, of which the said company shall have notice, and on the hearing of the parties, or in case the said company shall fail to appear and show cause against the said application, on examination of the said petition and the evidence which shall or may be produced by the petitioner in support thereof, and the said court shall and may pass such order for relieving the said petitioner or otherwise as to justice shall appertain, and the said court shall have full power to enforce obedience to the said order by writ of injunction or attachment or other process, which would be applicable in the enforcement of the said order in the event that the same had been passed by the said court in the exercise of its general equity jurisdic-

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