

Sec. 8. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from its passage. In force.

CHAPTER 56.

AN ACT entitled, An act authorizing and directing the Register of Wills of Washington county to renew certain indexes therein mentioned. Passed Jan. 25, 1864.

WHEREAS, It hath been represented to this General Assembly that the general indexes of deceased persons estates, and of guardianships, in the office of the Register of Wills of Washington county, are in a defaced and unsightly condition, and that the same ought to be preserved by being transcribed in new books; Therefore, Preamble.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the Register of Wills of Washington county be and he is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to make or cause to be made new general indexes of deceased persons' estates, and of guardianship, by transcribing from the indexes and books now in the said office, said indexes in new books, and the said Register is hereby further authorized and empowered to procure suitable and well-bound books for that purpose, in which the said indexes shall be transcribed. Authorized and empowered.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the said Register of Wills is hereby further authorized and directed, upon the order and direction of the Orphans' Court of said county, to renew or transcribe in new books all or any other index or indexes, or records, which may be in a decayed, defaced or delapidated condition, in the opinion of said court, and for this purpose the said Register is hereby authorized and directed to purchase all books necessary and suitable for such purposes. Further authorized.