

whereas, in consideration of the large interest, individual and public, involved in said litigation, and which must suffer from delay, it is of the first importance, that the cases of said appeals should as promptly as possible be heard and determined.

Court authorized to hear appeals.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the Court of Appeals be, and is hereby authorized and requested, to hear at its present December term, of the year eighteen hundred and sixty-one, the several cases of the appeals aforesaid, and to proceed thereupon to adjudge and determine the same.

In force.

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

CHAPTER 131.

Passed Feb. 18, 1862.

AN ACT to repeal sections eight hundred and six, eight hundred and seven, eight hundred and nine, eight hundred and ten, eight hundred and eleven, eight hundred and fifteen and eight hundred and twenty-one, of Article fourth, of the Code of Public Local Laws, relating to Baltimore and the organization of a Board of Police therefor, and to re-enact the same with amendments thereto.

Repealed.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That section eight hundred and six, of Article fourth, of the Code of Public Local Laws, be and the same is hereby repealed, and that in lieu thereof the following be enacted as a section of said Article :

Board of Police for the city of Baltimore established.

806. There is hereby established, within and for the city of Baltimore, a Board of Police, to be called the Board of Police of the city of Baltimore, to consist of two Commissioners, as is hereinafter provided, together with the Mayor of said city, for