

- CHAP. 150.** vessel at least one white man, above the age of eighteen years under whose care the said schooner, sloop or other vessel, shall be navigated and worked.
- Forfeit the value of the vessel** **SEC. 2.** *And be it enacted,* That if any such owner or owners, or other person or persons of such schooner, sloop, or other vessel, shall navigate or cause the same to be navigated contrary to the provisions of this act, such schooner, sloop, or other vessel, shall be forfeited or the value thereof, one half to the State and the other half to the informer, to be according as hereinafter provided.
- On information to justice** **SEC. 3.** *And be it enacted,* That upon information given to any justice of the peace by any one or more credible persons under oath, that any schooner, sloop, or other vessel is navigated contrary to the provisions of this act, it shall and may be lawful for such justice of the peace to issue his warrant to some constable, commanding him to seize said vessel, and it shall be the duty of said constable to seize such vessel, and give notice to the owner or owners thereof, of such seizure, and summon him, her, or them, to appear before such justice, and upon return of said warrant before said justice it shall, and may be lawful for him to give judgment of condemnation of such vessel, if in his opinion she is navigated contrary to the provisions of this act, provided said justice shall be satisfied that the owner or owners thereof have been duly summoned.
- Warrant to issue** **SEC. 4.** *And be it enacted,* That upon judgment of condemnation so as aforesaid rendered, it shall be the duty of the said constable to sell said vessel at public sale for cash to the highest bidder, having given ten days notice first before such sale, and when so sold shall pay to the informer one half of the proceeds of said sale, and the other half to the treasurer of the shore on which said constable shall reside, to be applied to the ordinary purposes of the treasury, said constable having first deducted the legal costs, and charges of said condemnation, and sale.
- Judgment** **SEC. 5.** *And be it enacted,* That the said justice for every warrant so issued shall be entitled to such fees as are now allowed in common actions for debt, and for every judgment he shall receive the sum of five dollars, and the said constable shall be entitled to and receive the same fees as now received in actions of debt.
- Constable to sell**
- Pay proceeds**
- fees for service**