

## CHAPTER 298.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact with amendments Sections 403 and 413 of Article 24 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, as codified by John W. Staton, and legalized by the General Assembly of Maryland of 1914, and amended by virtue of Chapter 212 of the Acts of 1918, title "Worcester County," sub-title "Snow Hill."

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Sections 403 and 413 of Article 24 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, as codified by John W. Staton and legalized by the General Assembly of Maryland of 1914, and amended by virtue of Chapter 212 of the Acts of 1918, title "Worcester County," sub-title "Snow Hill," be and the same are hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments, so as to read as follows:

403. The tax collector before entering upon the discharge of his duties shall subscribe to an oath for the faithful performance of his duties and give bond to the State of Maryland in a sum twice the amount of the taxes levied, to be approved by the Mayor and Council, and conditioned for the faithful performance of his duties; he shall collect all taxes that may be levied by law, ordinance, or otherwise, and shall pay the same promptly to the Treasurer; he shall keep safe and return when demanded, his tax assessment books, bills, papers and receipts, and shall make monthly reports of his collections; his books shall be subject to inspection by any taxpayer; all such taxes shall be collected as county taxes are now collected in Worcester County, or by suit and execution as debts are now collected; and if collected by suit and execution such suit and execution shall be in the corporate name of the Mayor and Council of Snow Hill; and every judgment and execution in such suits for taxes shall have priority over all other liens of whatsoever character except for unpaid taxes due the United States, the State of Maryland, or any of the counties of the State of Maryland; and this remedy may be applied to the collection of all taxes already levied by said Mayor and Council of Snow Hill as well as those to be levied after the passage hereof; and in every such action, including such actions before Justices of the Peace, an appearance fee of five dollars to the plaintiff's attorney shall be taxed as a part of the plaintiff's costs.