

CHAP. 151. this state, shall be according to the short hundred, so that one thousand pieces shall be computed as one thousand staves, or heading, as the case may be; and any inspector or dealer in staves, or heading, attempting to count, or compute, at the rate of twelve hundred to the thousand, or at any greater rate than one thousand pieces, to the thousand, and in that proportion for a greater or less number, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and be held subject to indictment, and upon conviction in any court of competent jurisdiction, shall be adjudged to pay such fine, not exceeding one hundred dollars, as said court shall deem meet.

Application.

Sec. 2. *And be it enacted*, That one half of the fines and forfeitures under this act, shall be for the use of the informer, and the other half for the use of the state.

CHAPTER 152.

Passed Feb 2, 1826

An act relating to the Public Roads in Queen Anns and Kent Counties.

Overseers directed

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the supervisors of the public highways in Queen Anns and Kent counties be, and they are hereby authorized and required to cut an opening in any bank, erected, or to be erected, along side of the public road in any place where the water may be likely to lie, so that said water may be allowed to pass off; and if any highway should become impassable by reason of the water lying in the same, for want of an opening being made in the bank, the supervisor of the same, may be presented and indicted in Queen Annes or Kent county court, as the case may be, and in all respects dealt by, as in other cases, where said supervisor may suffer his road to be out of repair.

Sec. 2. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall not be in force until after the first day of July next.

CHAPTER 153.

Passed Feb 24, 1826

An act to appoint an officer of the State of Maryland, to be called the Steward to the Governor.

Appointment authorized.

Section 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That from and after the passage of this act, it shall and may be lawful for the Governor of Maryland, immediately after the passage of this act, to appoint an officer of the said state,