

CHAPTER 646.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact with amendments Section 1 of Article 52 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, title "Justices of the Peace," sub-title "Qualification," so as to require every Justice of the Peace to give bond in the amount and form fixed by this Act, and to add a new section to said Article to follow immediately after Section 1 of said Article, to be known as 1-A, relating to the recording and proof of said bonds.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 1 of Article 52 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, title "Justices of the Peace," sub-title "Qualification," be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments, so as to read as follows:

1. Within thirty days after his commission shall have been received in the clerk's office of the County or City, every Justice of the Peace shall take and subscribe the oaths and declaration prescribed by the Constitution; and at the same time every Justice of the Peace shall file with the Clerk of the Court receiving his said commission a good and sufficient bond to the State of Maryland with security to be approved by said Clerk in the penalty of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) conditioned that he will faithfully discharge, execute and perform all and singular the duties and obligations of Justice of the Peace, that he will truly account for and pay over to the proper State officer or officers all money coming into his hands and belonging to the State of Maryland at the times fixed by law for the payment thereof, and that he will truly account for and pay over to the person or corporation entitled to receive the same all money belonging to such person or corporation which may come into his hands; and upon his failure within the time named to take and subscribe said oaths and declaration and file said approved bond, his office shall be deemed vacant.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That a new section be added to said Article 52, to be known as Section 1-A, to follow immediately after Section 1 of said Article and to read as follows:

1-A. Every such justice shall at the time of filing his approved bond pay to the clerk his proper fees for recording the same and the same shall be recorded by said clerk and a copy