

CHAPTER 154.

CHAP. 154.

An act regulating the Licenses of Hawkers and Pedlars, Passed Feb. 20, 1841. and for other purposes.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That from and after the first of April next, it shall not be lawful for any hawker or pedlar, to trade, barter or sell, or offer to trade, barter or sell any goods, wares or merchandize, until they shall have taken out a license for that purpose, from the clerk of some one of the county courts of this State, which said license shall be renewed every year; and the said clerk is hereby authorised and required, on application, to grant a license, under his hand and the seal of the county court, to any person to travel and trade as a hawker or pedlar, for one year from the date of said license; and for every license to any hawker or pedlar, to travel on foot, there shall be paid by the said hawker or pedlar, to the said clerk, at the time of his granting the same, the sum of forty dollars; to travel with a horse or other beast of burthen, or one horse or other beast of burthen, and wagon or other vehicle, the sum of fifty dollars; and with two horses or other beasts of burthen, and wagon or other vehicle, the sum of sixty dollars; *provided,* that no such license shall be granted to any other than a white person, or to any hawker or pedlar, or hawkers or pedlars, in the name or style of a partnership, firm or company; *and provided also,* that no license granted as aforesaid, shall extend beyond the shore in which such license may issue.

Not to sell without license

License to be renewed yearly

Charge for license limited

To be granted only to white persons

Proviso

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That from and after the first of April next, any hawker or pedlar who may be found trading, bartering or selling, or offering to trade, barter or sell, any goods, wares or merchandize, without a license as aforesaid, may be apprehended by any sheriff or constable, within their respective bailiwicks; and it is hereby made the duty of said sheriff and constable to apprehend all hawkers and pedlars so trading without license, and to carry him, her or them before a justice of the peace of the county; and on its appearing to said justice that such hawker or pedlar, or hawkers or pedlars, has or have traded, bartered or sold, or offered to trade, barter or sell any goods, wares or merchandize, without license as aforesaid, he shall impose a fine, not exceeding fifty dollars, nor less than ten dollars, to be recovered as other fines are now recoverable, and to be paid over to the clerk of the said

Any person violating may be apprehended

Duty of sheriff or constable

To impose fine