

## CHAP. 314.

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Passed March  
8, 1844.

*A further supplement to an act entitled, an act to incorporate a company for the purpose of cutting and making a Canal between the river Delaware and the Chesapeake bay.*

Preamble.

WHEREAS, by the original act to which this is a supplement, no authority was given the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal Company to charge toll per capita upon passengers; AND WHEREAS it will be advantageous to the public interest and at the same time beneficial to said company to have such a right—Therefore,

Company by a regular vote of stockholders to signify its acceptance of terms of this act.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That whenever the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal Company, by a regular vote of its stockholders shall signify to the Secretary of State in writing, under its corporate seal, the acceptance of the terms of this act, it may be lawful for said company to charge for and in respect of each and every passenger conveyed through said canal, in any kind of vessel, whether owned by said company or by any other proprietor or proprietors, a toll of twenty five cents in lieu of the four dollars now allowed on boats not having commodities on board; *provided,* the maximum charge for children under twelve years of age shall not be more than half that sum; and in case of a refusal by any passenger passing through said canal, to pay the said toll, the said company shall have the same remedy to enforce its payment, as is provided for in the tenth section of the original act to which this is a supplement; *provided,* that all boats regularly engaged in conveying passengers shall be allowed to pass through said canal at a speed which shall not be restricted by said company to a less average rate than four miles an hour; *and provided further,* that all boats, whether propelled by steam or other power, regularly engaged in the transportation of passengers upon said canal, shall be entitled to a preference over freight and other boats, in passing through the locks of said canal.

Provisoos.

Each passenger allowed 75 pounds of baggage.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That each and every passenger passing through the canal, shall be allowed to carry seventy five pounds of baggage, without any charge of toll by the said company directly or indirectly on said baggage; and upon any other baggage, owned by any passenger on board any such boats or other conveyances, over seventy-five pounds, the said company may charge at the same rate, and no more, as it may now charge for merchandize passing through said canal.