

Johnson and James J. Hurley, or either of them as justices of the peace for Washington county, shall in no manner be affected by reason of the informality of their commissions, but that all the official acts and proceedings of either of them shall be as valid and effectual to all intents and purposes, as if the said John Johnson and James J. Hurley had been lawfully and regularly commissioned.

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CHAPTER 25.

*An act for the relief of John N. Bowland, former Sheriff and Collector of Somerset County.* Passed Jan. 25, 1845.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That John N. Bowland, late sheriff and collector of Somerset county, be and he is hereby authorised and empowered to collect and receive all and any balance or amount of officer's fees, chancery taxes, fines and forfeitures, and county taxes, which may be due to the said John N. Bowland, as sheriff and collector aforesaid, in the same manner and with the same power and privilege as are now allowed by law, and in the same manner and to the same effect as if the term of office of the said John N. Bowland, as sheriff and collector as aforesaid, had not yet expired, that if any person against whom there is a claim by said John N. Bowland, for officer's fees, chancery taxes, fines and forfeitures or county taxes as aforesaid, shall make affidavit before any justice of the peace of said county, that he or she believes the same to be unjust, or that the same had been paid at any previous time, to the person claiming the same, it shall forever bar such claims; *and provided,* that nothing in this act shall be construed to effect the estate of any deceased person; *and provided also,* that this act shall only continue in force for one year from its passage.

Authorised to collect.

Provisoos.

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CHAPTER 26.

*An act to prescribe the duties and fix the compensation of the Jailor of Kent County, in certain cases therein mentioned.* Passed Jan. 25, 1845.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That from and after the passage of this act,

Duties.