

CHAP. 274. from the residence of the owner of such runaway, or the place where such runaway may have lived or been hired, shall be fifteen dollars; if under fifteen or more than forty-five years of age, seven and a half dollars; if such runaway be apprehended more than thirty miles from the residence of his or her owner, or the place where he or she may have lived or been hired, the sum allowed shall be fifty dollars; if such runaway be more than fifteen or under forty-five, and if under fifteen or over forty-five, twenty-five dollars; **Provido.** *provided*, that no reward shall be paid or claimed under this act for taking up any slave in the county in which the said slave is hired, or in which his owner resides.

One hundred dollars. **SEC. 2.** *And be it further enacted*, That in all cases where a runaway slave from this State, be apprehended within the limits of a free State, the sum allowed for seizing, taking up and securing such runaway slaves, shall be one hundred dollars; or one half of the value of such slave arrested at the option of the owner, which however, shall not apply to the counties of this State, bordering on the Pennsylvania line; *provided*, in all cases where a slave may have been advertised as a runaway, in a sum greater than is allowed by this act, the said sum shall be considered and deemed as including the amount to which the person so seizing, taking up and securing said runaway, would be entitled to under this act.

Deemed a runaway. **SEC. 3.** *And be it further enacted*, That in all cases where a slave is within a free State, and one hundred miles from the residence of his owner, he shall be deemed a runaway.

CHAPTER 274.

Passed March 10, 1845. *An act for the extension of the time of William H. Blackistone, Collector of Kent County, to complete his collections.*

Time extended. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the time for the payment of the direct and income tax and all taxes due the State, for the year eighteen hundred and forty-three, by William H. Blackistone, collector for Kent county, be extended to the twenty-fifth day of August next, and that the time for the payment of the direct and income tax, and all taxes due the State for the year eighteen hundred and forty-four, by the said William H. Blackistone, collector as aforesaid, be extended to the first day of December next; *provided*, that the responsibility of the

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