

CHAP. 203. or its supplements, on or before the first Monday in August in each and every year after the passage of this act, it shall be the duty of the clerks of the levy courts, or commissioners, or the register of the city of Baltimore, to give notice thereof to the Governor, within twenty days after such failure, and thereupon it shall be the duty of the Governor to appoint a tax board, as provided by the twelfth section of the act passed at December session, eighteen hundred and forty-three, chapter two hundred and eight, which board shall be clothed with the powers and entitled to the compensation by the said act prescribed, and in case the said clerks or register shall fail or refuse to comply with the provisions of this section, or any other duty imposed upon them by this act, the clerk or register so failing or refusing, shall forfeit and pay the sum of one thousand dollars, for the use of this State, to be recovered either by indictment in the proper county, district, or city court, or by action of debt, brought in the name of the State, by the Attorney General, or his proper deputy, upon the requisition of the Governor.

Give notice to the Governor.

Fail or refuse to comply.

Duty of clerks of levy courts, & c.

Appoint tax boards.

Fail or refuse to deliver assessment books.

Liable to indictment.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That it shall be the duty of the clerks of the levy courts, of the commissioners of the tax and the register of the city of Baltimore, to give notice to the Governor within the period aforesaid, under the penalty aforesaid, of the actual imposition or levy of the tax aforesaid, and in case the Governor shall not receive notice of such levy by the county, district, or city authorities, as the case may be, by the first Monday in September, in each and every year after the passage of this act, then it shall be the duty of the Governor, and he is hereby authorised and required, to appoint tax boards as aforesaid, as in the preceding section is directed.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That if the commissioners of the tax, the justices of the levy courts, the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, or the clerks or register of these authorities, shall fail or refuse to deliver, to the duly appointed collectors of the State taxes, the assessment books; or if they shall in any other way, impede, hinder or delay the said collectors in the discharge of their duty, the said commissioners, justices, Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, and the clerks and register as aforesaid, shall be, each individual, severally liable to indictment in the county, district, or city court of Baltimore, and upon conviction thereof, shall forfeit and pay the sum of one thousand dollars each for the use of this

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