

**CHAP. 84.** proposals for doing the work, by advertising either in the public papers or hand-bills, and may enter into contracts for the same, or appoint commissioners for that purpose.

If injury  
or damage has  
been done—  
how paid.

**SEC. 3.** *And be it enacted,* That, as it is unjust that private individuals should be made to suffer in the erection of public works, if any injury or damage has been done, or shall be done to improved private property, such as buildings or their appendages, and complaint is made, it shall be the duty of the levy court to have the damages appraised, and pay the same to the person or persons so injured.

### CHAPTER 84.

Passed Feb  
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*An act entitled, an act for the better protection of the Agricultural interests of Worcester County.*

Preamble.

WHEREAS, The petition of sundry citizens of Worcester county, respectfully represent that the interests of Agriculture, and the order of society, have greatly suffered by the reckless acts of certain individuals, in not providing sufficient enclosures for the protection of their crops, thereby inducing the cattle and swine of their neighbors to enter thereon, to the strife and damage of both parties—Therefore,

Duty of justices  
of the  
peace.

**SECTION 1.** *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That from and after the passage of this act, it shall be the duty of every justice of the peace for Worcester county, upon the complaint of any qualified person given under oath, to appoint and issue his order, the authority to do which is hereby given, to three discreet men of the vicinage, to proceed forthwith, to view and examine into the alleged insufficiency of the enclosure, and upon their report thereon, and notice thereof being given to the defaulting party or parties, it shall be his or their duty to comply at once with the requisitions of said report, and have the same completed within twenty days from the date of said notice, under a penalty not exceeding twenty dollars, for each and every case, and the further sum of three dollars to be allowed for the services of the inspectors.

In case penalty  
not paid  
within 20 days

**SEC. 2.** *And be it enacted,* That in case such penalty and charges shall not be paid within twenty days from the return of the said report of the inspectors, to the court