

CHAP. 493. the Legislature hereby reserves to itself the right to alter, amend, change and annul this act of incorporation at its pleasure.

CHAPTER 493.

An act supplementary to the act of eighteen hundred and twenty-eight, chapter fifty.

Passed Mar 9,
1850.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That from and after the passage of this act, it shall and may be lawful for all and every of the sheriffs of this State, and of their deputies, whenever the same shall be demanded of them, to take bonds of any or all defendants that now are, or hereafter may be, in their custody, under and by virtue of any writ or writs of *capias ad satisfaciendum*, returnable to any of the county courts of this State, with such security as the said sheriffs or their deputies may think necessary, with reference to said writs in their hands for service at the time of taking said bonds, conditioned for the appearance of the said defendant or defendants in court on the day when the said writ or writs are or may be returnable, and the surrender of themselves on that day to the sheriff or sheriffs, who may have the same in hand for execution, the said bond or bonds, in case of the breach of the condition thereof, to be sued on and recovered as other bonds now are; *provided however*, that no plaintiff shall be required to accept from any sheriff the assignment of any bond to be taken under the provisions of this act, but the same shall be deemed and taken only as indemnity to the sheriff taking the same, and said sheriff upon failure of the defendant principal to appear to the condition of the said bond, and refusal of plaintiff or plaintiffs to accept assignment thereof, shall be in all respects subject to existing penalties and liabilities in such cases made and provided.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That from and after the passage of this act, it shall be the duty of the sheriffs of this State, and their deputies, and they are hereby required, to serve separately each writ of *capias ad satisfaciendum* in their respective hands against the same defendant, where the said writs are returnable to the same term, so that the service of one writ shall not be considered as the service of any other that may thereafter come to their hands.

Writs to be se-
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