

or appointed for the city of Baltimore shall be approved by the Judge of the Superior Court for Baltimore city.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from its passage.

In force.

CHAPTER 149.

AN ACT to provide for the appointment of a keeper of the Records of the Court of Chancery.

Passed Mar. 10, 1854

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That from and after the time when this act shall take effect, the Register of the Court of Chancery in office immediately preceding, shall be and he is hereby constituted keeper of the Records of the court of Chancery, and as such officer he shall take and subscribe the oath prescribed in the constitution before the Governor; and in case of vacancy happening in the office of a keeper as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the Governor to fill such vacancy by an appointment.

Present register appointed keeper.

Vacancy, how to be filled.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That all the records and papers belonging to the said court, then in the possession of the register in chancery, shall be in the custody and safe keeping of the officer herein provided for, whose duty it shall be to record, and otherwise complete the proceedings of the said court.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That the aforesaid keeper shall have the same power and authority to certify copies and proceedings of the said court as are now possessed by the said register, and where such certificates are required to be under seal, he shall use and employ an appropriate seal to be provided for his office, and he shall be entitled to demand and receive the same fees and compensation as are now allowed by law for the same, or similar services to the present register.

Records to be in custody of present officer.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That it shall be the duty of the aforesaid keeper, without unnecessary delay, to transmit to the several counties, and to the city of Baltimore, all the cases and proceedings in said court then undisposed of, and unfinished, at the expense of the State.

Duty of keeper.