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In force.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall go into effect from the date of its passage.

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CHAPTER 54.

Passed Mar. 6, 1856. A BILL entitled an act authorising the payment to George W. Nutwell of a certain sum of money therein mentioned, for the loss of a negro man, killed in an attempt to secure his arrest.

Preamble. WHEREAS, the act of the General Assembly of seventeen hundred and fifty-one, chapter fourteen, section nine, provides that when a fugitive slave shall happen to be slain in an attempt to apprehend him, it shall be the duty of the Treasurer of the Shore where such death may take place, upon the production of such evidence as is in said act of assembly mentioned, to pay to the owner or owners the value of such slave, to be estimated as therein provided; and whereas, all the requisitions therein stipulated have been complied with; but whereas, the Constitution of the State provides that no money shall be drawn from the Treasury of the State except in accordance with an appropriation made by law; therefore,

Treasurer to pay. SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the Treasurer is hereby directed to pay, upon the warrant of the Comptroller, to George W. Nutwell, the sum of one thousand dollars, to compensate him for the loss of said negro.

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SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall be in force from and after its passage.

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