

said Code, title "Justices of the Peace," subtitle "Civil Jurisdiction," to change the jurisdiction of justices of the peace as to the issuance of attachments against certain persons, and correcting an error therein.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 30 of Article 9 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Attachments," subtitle "Attachments by Justices," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

30.

Any justice of the peace may issue an attachment against a non-resident, an absconding debtor, or a debtor twice returned non est upon summons issued, where the sum claimed shall not exceed [one hundred dollars] *the monetary limitation of jurisdiction provided by Section 6 of Article 52 of this Code,* but no special pleading shall be required before a justice of the peace.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That Section 6(a) of Article 52 of the said Code, title "Justices of the Peace," subtitle "Civil Jurisdictions," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

6.

(a) The civil jurisdiction of trial magistrates extends to all cases for the enforcement of contracts and to obtain redress for wrongs where the debt or damages claimed shall not exceed one hundred dollars, to all suits on bonds with penalty exceeding one hundred dollars, where the sum due and claimed does not exceed one hundred dollars; to actions of replevin where the value of the thing in controversy does not exceed one hundred dollars and which value shall be ascertained by appraisers summoned and sworn by the sheriff or other officer to whom the writ of replevin is directed, and to all cases of attachments against nonresidents or absconding debtors [where the sum claimed does not exceed one hundred dollars] and also to all cases of attachment in any of the cases mentioned in Section 34 [or] of Article 9 where the sum claimed shall not exceed [one hundred dollars] *the monetary jurisdiction specified in this section.*

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1963.

Approved February 26, 1963.

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CHAPTER 45

(House Bill 28)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 37 (e) of Article 87 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Sheriffs," subtitle "Compensation and Duties," in