

Passed 12th of  
March, 1786.

An ACT to ascertain and establish a permanent salary to the governor. Lib. TBH. No. A. fol. 643.

Governor's salary, &c.

BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the governor of this state for the time being shall be entitled to receive at the rate of one thousand pounds current money for his salary, and the same shall be paid quarterly out of the annual supplies until the general assembly shall provide particular funds for payment.

An ACT for the more effectual preservation of the breed of wild deer. Lib. TBH. No. A. fol. 644. Repealed 1789, ch. 5.

An ACT for the further relief of the securities of Thomas Williams, deceased, late collector of the tax and public dues in Prince-George's county, and for other purposes therein mentioned. Lib. TBH. No. A. fol. 645.

A Supplement, 1786, ch. 26.

Preamble.

WHEREAS Thomas Harwood, the third, John Smith Brookes, Rinaldo Johnson, Elisha Berry, John Warring and Richard Smith, securities of Thomas Williams, deceased, late collector of the tax and public dues in Prince-George's county, have, by their humble petition, set forth to the general assembly, that with every exertion of the powers heretofore granted to them, they have not been able to complete the collection of the arrears and balances due to the said Thomas Williams, for want of timely returns from the deputies of the said Thomas Williams, and on account of certain injurious practices of some of the said deputies in the manner of their giving receipts, and by reason also of the pernicious practice of replevying goods taken in execution: And whereas it is reasonable that those who are reduced by an act of benevolence to the hard condition of being obliged to answer for the failure, mismanagement and indiscretion, of another person, are entitled to every indulgence which can be granted without detriment to the public: And whereas it is doubtful whether the powers heretofore granted to the said securities have not expired,

Powers continued, &c.

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the powers granted to Thomas Harwood, the third, John Smith Brookes, Rinaldo Johnson, Elisha Berry, John Warring and Richard Smith, by an act, entitled, An act to authorize and empower the securities of Thomas Williams, deceased, late collector of the tax and public dues in Prince-George's county, to complete the same, be and are hereby continued in the said Thomas Harwood, the third, John Smith Brookes, Rinaldo Johnson, Elisha Berry, John Warring and Richard Smith, or a majority of them; and the commissioners of the tax for Prince-George's county for the time being shall, when called on by the securities of Thomas Williams, or a majority of them, execute the powers in them vested by the aforesaid act; and that all matters and things done by the said securities, or the commissioners of the tax, since the first day of November last, in the exercise of the said powers, shall be as good, effectual and unimpeachable in law, as if done before the said day.

Securities vested with powers, &c.

III. AND, whereas the said securities have, by their petition further set forth, that they find, after their utmost exertions, and the fullest collection they shall be able to make of said arrears; they will sustain a heavy and capital loss, and beg that they may be permitted to sell on credit, under their own management, such parts of their property as they may think proper, for covering the same; therefore, BE IT ENACTED, That the said securities, or either of them, be and are hereby vested with full powers and authority to sell and dispose of such part or parts of their property as they may think proper, for the purpose of discharging the debt aforesaid, in as full and ample a manner as if he or they had not become security for the said Thomas Williams as collector aforesaid, and upon the sale of such property by the securities, or either of them, to take bond to the state from the purchaser or purchasers, with such security as the commissioners of the tax of Prince-George's county, or a majority of them, shall approve of, for double the purchase money, with condition, that the same shall be paid in current money, or in specie certificates heretofore issued by this state, or to be issued for any debt now due from this state, on or before the first day of January, seventeen hundred and ninety, and legal interest thereon, payable as aforesaid annually and punctually at the end of every year, until the principal be paid; and that in such case, the treasurer of the western shore, in behalf

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