

C H A P.  
CXIII.  
To be renewed  
annually, &c.

II. AND BE IT ENACTED, That during the continuance of this act all licences for keeping billiard tables shall be renewed annually, on the first day of April, on pain that any person thus omitting or neglecting to renew his licence, and continuing to keep open his billiard table for use, shall be liable to all the penalties mentioned in this act; and provided, that any person applying for a licence after the first day of April, shall pay in proportion to the time the said licence has to run, ending on the last day of March, annually.

Penalty for  
keeping with-  
out licence.

III. AND BE IT ENACTED, That any person or persons keeping or exhibiting for use a billiard table or tables, without first obtaining a licence as aforesaid, shall forfeit and pay the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, one half to the informer, and the other half to the county, to be recovered by indictment in the county court in which such offence may be committed.

Proviso.

IV. PROVIDED ALWAYS, That nothing in this act shall be construed to extend in its operation to the cities of Annapolis, George-town, Baltimore, or the precincts of Baltimore.

A return to be  
made.

V. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the clerks of the several counties shall, under the penalty of fifty dollars, make out and lay before every session of the levy court a return of the sum or sums of money received under the provision of this act.

Commence-  
ment.

VI. This act to commence and be in force from and after the first day of April next.

C H A P. CXIV.

Passed 20th of  
Jan. 1799.

An ACT to increase the fees of the examiner-general of the western shore, and the examiner of the eastern shore. Lib. JG. No. 3. fol. 234.

Fees increased.

BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That immediately after the passing of this act, the fees of the examiner-general of the western shore, and the examiner of the eastern shore, shall be and they are hereby increased fifty per cent. in addition to their fees already allowed by law.

Account to be  
rendered, &c.

II. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the examiner-general of the western shore, and the examiner of the eastern shore, shall lay before the next general assembly an account, on oath, of the amount of their fees for the present year.

Duration.

III. This act to continue and be in force until the first day of October next, and until the end of the next session of assembly which shall happen thereafter.

Further continued by 1799, ch. 55, to 30th October, 1805, &c.

C H A P. CXV.

An ACT to alter, abolish and repeal, certain parts of the constitution and form of government of this state as are therein mentioned. Lib. JG. No. 3. fol. 235.

Preamble.

WHEREAS the holding elections at any one place in each county of this state is attended with great inconvenience to all citizens remote from said place, and operates to deprive many persons entitled to suffrage from the exercise of that right; and as it is desirable that the full, free and fair voice of the people should be expressed in their choice of the functionaries of government,

Counties di-  
vided into dis-  
tricts.

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the several counties of this state, for the purpose of holding all future elections for delegates, electors of the senate, and sheriffs of the several counties, shall be divided into separate districts in the manner herein after directed, viz. Saint-Mary's county shall be divided and laid off into three separate districts, Kent county shall be divided and laid off into three separate districts, Calvert county shall be divided and laid off into three separate districts, Charles county shall be divided and laid off into four separate districts, Talbot county shall be divided and laid off into four separate districts, Somerset county shall be divided and laid off into three separate districts, Dorchester county shall be divided and laid off into three separate districts, Cecil county shall be divided and laid off into four separate districts, Prince-George's county shall be divided and laid off into five separate districts, Queen-Anne's county shall be