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XIV, XV.Justices to al-  
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ble expences,  
&c.

XX. And be it enacted, That the justices of the several county courts shall, and they are hereby required to allow the reasonable expences of the commissioners of the tax, and the reward given to their clerk, also such additional reward as they may think reasonable, to the several assessors in their next county rate, and cause the same to be levied as herein before directed.

C H A P. XV.

An ACT to revive the proceedings of Queen-Anne's county court.

Preamble.

**W**HEREAS the actions, process, and proceedings, depending and undetermined in Queen-Anne's county March court, which was to be held in the year seventeen hundred and seventy-seven, by the magistrates appointed under the old constitution, stood adjourned to some time in April or May last past, were discontinued for want of magistrates to attend the said court,

Actions un-  
determined to  
be in the same  
state, &c.

II. Be it enacted, *by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That all actions, process, and proceedings, as well criminal as civil, which were depending and undetermined in the said Queen-Anne's county March court, and all original writs returnable to March court last past, shall be construed, judged and taken to be in the same situation, state, and condition, at the next county court to be held for said county, as they were in at the discontinuance of said proceedings, and the justices of said county may then proceed to the hearing and determining, or calling and further continuing, and thereafter hearing and determining, the said actions, process and proceedings respectively, as the case may require, as fully and effectually as the justices of said court could or might lawfully have done, the said discontinuance, or any matter or thing to the contrary notwithstanding.

Proviso.

III. *Provided*, That in case any plaintiff or plaintiffs, in any suit or suits so discontinued, have renewed his, her, or their actions, since such discontinuance, or where either the plaintiff or defendant hath died since such discontinuance, by reason whereof such suit or suits would have been abated, if the same had been depending at the time of such death, or shall die before the next court to be held in virtue of this act, such actions shall not be deemed within, but shall be excepted out of the provisions of this act.

Proviso in  
case of bail.

IV. *Provided also*, That nothing in this act shall extend to charge or make liable the bail in any action so discontinued, or the bail or sureties bound by recognizance for the appearance of any person or persons criminally prosecuted at the said March court, and on which recognizance no default was then entered, but such bail or sureties shall be in the same state and condition as if this act had never been made.

Proviso.

V. *Provided*, That nothing in this act shall be construed, deemed, or taken to invalidate any action, process or proceedings, commenced (since the fall of the court as aforesaid) by the commissioners appointed under the new constitution, any thing to the contrary notwithstanding.

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