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fender of the description aforesaid shall have fled, and shall be found and arrested in this state, to remove and deliver up such offender; and the sheriffs of the several counties, and all other ministerial officers, are hereby required and enjoined to give due obedience to the commands, and orders of the said governor in the execution of the said power and authority.

May issue  
warrant, &c.

III. And be it enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the governor, or any judge of the general court, or justice of the peace, to issue his warrant to arrest such offender, and the said offender to commit or bail, as circumstances may require; provided nevertheless, if such offender be charged by a private citizen, and not by the governor or executive of the offended state, the information be on oath, and the evidence be such as affords just grounds to believe that the charge or accusation is true.

May take re-  
cognizance,  
&c.

IV. And be it enacted, That if the circumstances of the case should require that such offender be bailed, that it may and shall be lawful for the governor, or any judge or justice, to take the offender's recognizance, with good and sufficient sureties, and in such sum or sums of money as may be thought adequate to secure the party's appearance according to the tenor of his said recognizance, the condition of which shall be as follows: "The condition of the above obligation and recognizance is, such, that if the said \_\_\_\_\_ shall make his personal appearance before the governor, at the city of Annapolis, on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ and not depart from thence without his leave or permission, then the above obligation and recognizance shall be void."

Judge, &c. to  
forward a  
transcript, &c.

V. And be it enacted, That when such an offender as aforesaid shall be arrested by any judge or justice, and committed or bailed as aforesaid, such judge or justice shall without delay forward a transcript of such proceeding, with the recognizance, if any taken, to the governor, who shall with all convenient dispatch, whenever such offender shall be arrested, give information to the offended state, and if no demand be made pursuant to the articles of confederation within a reasonable time after such communication, the party arrested may be discharged.

Forfeited re-  
cognizance to  
be recorded,  
&c.

VI. And be it enacted, That if such offender as aforesaid shall forfeit his recognizance, the governor shall deliver the same to the clerk of the general court of that shore where the offender or his sureties respectively reside, and the clerk shall thereupon issue such process against the offender and his sureties for the recovery of the forfeiture, as the law in other cases of forfeited recognizances provides and directs.

President of  
council to act  
in absence of  
governor.

VII. And be it enacted, That the president of the council, in the absence of the governor, shall and may exercise all the power and authority which is hereby given to the said governor.

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An A C T to empower the justices of Washington county to assess and levy a sum of money from the inhabitants of said county, for the purpose of finishing the building of their court-house and prison.

Preamble.

**W**HEREAS it appears to this general assembly, that by act of the convention of Maryland, passed the 14th day of August, 1776, the justices of said county were authorized and required to assess and levy with the public and county levy, by three equal assessments, in the year seventeen hundred and seventy-seven, seven-  
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