

have set forth, that they have not been able to obtain payment of the balances due to the said Christopher Edelen by virtue of the provision in the said law, because they could not employ a collector for the commission therein allowed, and were not authorized thereby to collect the said balances themselves by execution, and that a *scire facias* issued against the said securities, returnable to last October term, to recover the balance due to the state from the said Christopher for the year seventeen hundred and eighty-two, and have therefore prayed that an act may pass, authorizing the treasurer to take a bond with security from the administrator aforesaid, for the balance due to the state, payable according to the terms of the act relative to the arrearages of taxes due the state before the first day of January, seventeen hundred and eighty-three, and that on neglect of the administrator, the treasurer be empowered to receive such bond from such of the securities as shall offer the same; and that upon a bond being lodged with the treasurer, with satisfactory security, the administrator or securities, or both, who may execute such bond, may be invested with a power to collect in person, or by deputy, the balances due to the said Christopher for taxes, and as sheriff; and the said securities have further prayed, that if they should give bond as aforesaid, they also be empowered to proceed on the bond of the said Christopher to affect the balance of his estate, in the hands of his administrator, liable to the claim of the state; which being thought reasonable,

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II. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the administrator of the said Christopher Edelen, may, at any time before the first day of February next, give bond for the balance due from the said Christopher as aforesaid, with such security, in the manner and on the terms as collectors of consolidated arrearages of taxes might have given bond under the said act, relative to the arrearages of taxes due the state before the first day of January, seventeen hundred and eighty-three, within the time limited by the said act; and if the said administrator shall refuse or neglect to do the same within the time limited, that then the said securities, or any or either of them, may give such bond as aforesaid at any time thereafter, and before the first day of March next, and either of such bonds given as aforesaid shall be lodged with the treasurer of the western shore, and shall be subject to the same process and proceedings as may by law be had on other bonds given for arrearages of taxes consolidated; and on such bond being given, and duly approved, and payment of all costs, all further proceedings at law on the said *scire facias* shall cease.

Administrator may give bond, &c.

III. *And be it enacted,* That the person or persons giving such bond for the balance due as aforesaid, shall be and is hereby empowered, in person or by deputy, to receive, collect and levy, all sums of money due to the said Christopher Edelen as collector or sheriff of Frederick county, by execution or otherwise, in the same manner, and as fully and amply, as the said Christopher Edelen at any time might have received, collected, or levied the same; and there shall and may be allowed, as against the estate of the said Christopher Edelen, a commission for collection, not exceeding ten *per cent.* any thing in the first mentioned act to the contrary notwithstanding.

Person giving bond empowered to collect, &c.

IV. *And be it enacted,* That in case such bond as aforesaid shall be given by the said securities, or any or either of them, the person or persons giving such bond may, at their own costs, proceed on the bond of the said Christopher Edelen, in the name of the state, to affect the balance of the estate of the said Christopher Edelen, or what thereof may be necessary, in the hands of his administrator, for or towards his or their indemnity or security.

And to proceed on C. Edelen's bond, &c.

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A Supplement to the act, entitled, An act for marking and bounding lands.

Passed December 16.

WHEREAS by the said act the jurisdiction and power therein given to the county courts respectively to issue commissions for marking and bounding lands, is not extended to lands held by bodies politic and

Preamble.