SHAP. 41. the state of North Carolina; and the said Peter Ulrick having prayed this general assembly to afford him such relief in the premises as the nature of his case requires, and his prayer appearing reasonable, if the said allegations should be found to be true; Therefore.

of insolvency

Authorised to pro- 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the for benefit of acts said Peter Ulrick be and he is hereby authorised to prosecute his petition for the benefit of the insolvent laws, without being compelled to prove his residence in the state of Maryland, for two years previous to his application for the benefit of the said laws, and that his want of residence in this state shall not prevent him from obtaining the full benefit of the said laws; Provided always, that in every other respect he comply with the conditions of the said insolvent laws, as fully as if he had resided the proper length of time in the state of Maryland, and this law had not passed: And provided also, that the judge and court, or commissioners, to whom he shall apply for a personal and final discharge, respectively, shall be respectively satisfied by competent testimony, other than the oath of the said Peter, Ulrick himself, that his departure and absence from this state, for about five months, within the last two years as above mentioned, was for a temporary purpose, and not with a view of finally abandoning and changing his residence in this state, and that including the time of his said absence he shall have resided two years, within this state, at the time of such his application.

CHAP. XLII.

Passed Jan 23 1531 Preamble

An Act for the Relief of Ernest Voigt, of the City of Baltimore.

WHEREAS it is alleged to this general assembly, by the petition of Ernest Voigt, that he is now in confinement in Baltimore county gaol for debts which he is unable to pay, and that he is deprived of the right of resort to the insolvent laws of this state, by reason of his not having resided within the state of Maryland for two years according to the conditions of the said laws; and that he came to this state from Germany, his native country, in the year eighteen hundred and nineteen, with the intention of settling here, or in some other of the United States, and not for the purpose of avoiding the payment of his debts; and that he is now in confinement at the suit of Bernard H. Cook, the freighter of the ship in which he came over, or his legal representatives, and of no other person; and it being reasonable if he can establish the truth of these allegations, that he should be admitted to the benefit of the insolvent laws of this state, notwithstanding his want of two years residence; Therefore,

Authorised to pro1. Be it enacted by the General assembly of the secute his petition for benefit of acts said Ernest Voigt, be and he is hereby authorised to prosecute for benefit of the insolvent laws of this state, 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the his petition for the benefit of the insolvent laws of this state, without being compelled to prove his residence in the state of Maryland for two years previous to his application for the benefit of the said laws, and that his want of residence in this state shall not prevent him from obtaining the full benefit of the said laws; Provided always, that in every other respect he comply with the conditions of the said insolvent laws, as fully as if he had resided the proper length of time in the state of Maryland

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