

county, the sum of thirty dollars annually, for the support and maintenance of Eleanor Hicks, of said county. Dec. Ses. 1821.

CHAPTER 99.

*An act for the benefit of Robert Guest, of Charles county.*

Passed Jan. 28,  
1822.  
Preamble.

WHEREAS, Robert Guest, of Charles county, has, by his petition, represented to this general assembly, that he emigrated to the state of Maryland many years ago, and since his emigration and settlement, has acquired real property therein, and his title to said property, from not being naturalized agreeable to the laws of the United States may be called in question to his great detriment and injury—Therefore,

BE IT ENACTED *By the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the title to the real property of him the said Robert Guest, heretofore intended to be vested in him the said Robert Guest, his heirs and assigns, by purchase or deed obtained, be, and the same is hereby amply and fully vested in the said Robert Guest and his heirs, in fee simple, to all intents and purposes, in the same manner that it would have been if the said Robert Guest had been fully naturalized agreeable to the laws of the United States at the time of said purchase, and when he received his said deed or deeds; *Provided always,* That nothing in this act contained shall in any manner defeat or affect any right, title or claim to the said property, or any part thereof, acquired or prosecuted by any person or persons whatever, before the passage of this act. *And provided also,* That the said Robert Guest shall, within twelve months after he is capable of becoming a citizen, naturalize himself agreeable to the laws of the United States. But if the said Robert Guest should die before he becomes naturalized, nothing in this proviso shall prevent him from transferring or transmitting his said property, by descent or devise, to any person or persons, being a citizen or citizens of the United States, and residing therein, capable in law to hold the same. Title vested.

CHAPTER 100.

*An additional supplement to the act to regulate the inspection of Lumber in the city and county of Baltimore.*

Passed Jan. 28,  
1822.  
Carefully to inspect.

SEC. 1. BE IT ENACTED *By the General Assembly of Maryland,* That hereafter it shall be the duty of each and every inspector, measurer and marker of lumber, to turn, or cause to be turned up, each and every piece of lumber or timber, which he may inspect, measure and mark, in such a manner that he or they may distinctly see and carefully inspect each and every side thereof.

2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That when any buyer or seller shall believe himself to be aggrieved by an inspector of lumber, either as regard the quality or quantity, that it shall be lawful for him to appeal in the following manner: For all lumber used in the building of houses, to two disinterested persons, the one to be a house carpenter, the other to be an inspector of lumber, each party to choose one; and when they meet on such appeal, not agreeing, shall choose a third person, whose decision shall be final and conclusive: For all lumber for the construction of ships or vessels, to two disinterested persons, one to be a ship carpenter, and the other to be a lumber measurer, one to be chosen by each party, and in case of their not Persons aggrieved—appeal—determinations to be final.