

various abuses, whereby the county taxes are much enhanced, to the emolument of individuals only; therefore, Dec Ses. 1822

Section 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the justices of the levy court for the county aforesaid, or a majority of them be, and they are hereby authorised and required to meet together on the 1st Monday of April next, and on the same day in every year thereafter, at the court house in said county, and when so met together, the said justices, or a majority of them, shall be, and they are hereby authorised and required (if not already done to their satisfaction) to describe, ascertain, and distinctly record, in a well bound book, to be (if necessary) provided by them for that purpose, the several and respective roads and public highways in the said county, and to nominate and appoint capable and judicious persons as supervisors of the several and respective roads aforesaid, according to the number and divisions of the said roads into districts, as the same are or shall be ascertained upon their records, according to the discretion of the said court, as to the number of districts.

Levy court directed,

2. *And be it enacted,* That any person appointed a supervisor, in virtue of this act, and refusing to serve as such, or to comply with the requisites thereof, except for a reasonable excuse, he shall forfeit and pay the sum of ten dollars, to be recovered in the name of the state, before any justice of the peace of said county; such suit to be ordered by the levy court, if in session, at the time of such refusal; but if in the recess of their session, then to be ordered by the president of said court, and when recovered to be applied by the levy court towards defraying the county charges: *Provided,* that no one person shall be compelled to act as supervisor more than one year in every three years, without his consent.

Supervisor—penalty.

3. *And be it enacted,* That if any supervisor appointed under this act shall refuse to act, remove out of the county, become disqualified, or die, in the recess of the said court, it shall and may be lawful for any two justices of the said levy court to supply every such vacancy so happening, by the appointment of another suitable person to act as supervisor, under the same penalties and regulations as if he had been appointed by a majority of the said justices; and the said justices shall certify every such appointment under their hands to the clerk within ten days thereafter; and the said clerk shall, within ten days after being so notified thereof, issue a warrant to the person so appointed, and deliver the same to the sheriff of the county aforesaid, to be by him delivered to the person so appointed, or left at his place of residence, within ten days after receiving the same, under the penalty of ten dollars current money for every neglect by the sheriff or clerk respectively.

Vacancy.

4. *And be it enacted,* That the levy court of Caroline county shall at their first levy in the year eighteen hundred and twenty-four, and at their annual levy in every year thereafter, levy and assess on the assessable property in said county, such sum of money as they may ascertain from the different supervisors appointed under this act, for the repair of the public roads in said county, to be collected as other county charges are, and to be paid, under the orders of said court, to such person as have had their respective claims allowed by the said court.

Levy.

5. *And be it enacted,* That it shall be the duty of each supervisor to call on the taxable persons of his district (who are actually charged with taxes) and none other (except as hereinafter provided) at least two days before he intends working on said roads, exclusive of

Notification &c.