

CHAPTER 155.

A further additional supplement to the act, entitled, An act to alter and change the name of Elizabeth town, in Washington county, to Hager's town, and to incorporate the same.

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Passed Feb. 15, 1824.

Levy \$100 for engine, &c.

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the Moderator and other Commissioners of Hager's town, be, and they are hereby authorised and empowered to assess and levy, annually, on the taxable property of said town and the additions thereto, in the same manner, and at the same time, and to be collected in the same way as other town taxes are levied and collected, a sum of money not exceeding one hundred dollars, to be expended under the direction of said Moderator and Commissioners in defraying the necessary expense of keeping the Engine and Hose and other apparatus attached thereto in good repair.

2. *And be it enacted,* That the said Moderator and Commissioners have full power and authority to establish and regulate fire wards, and fire companies in said town, and to enact by ordinance all such bye-laws as they may judge necessary for the prevention and extinguishment of fire, and to compel property holders in said town to furnish themselves with fire buckets.

Fire Wards, &c.

3. *And be it enacted,* That an act of Assembly entitled, "an act to incorporate the Hager's town fire company, in Washington county," passed on the twenty-third day of January, eighteen hundred and sixteen, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

Repeal of incorporation.

4. *And be it enacted,* That the said Moderator and Commissioners, be, and are hereby authorised and empowered to provide by ordinance for taking up, fining or committing to the Work House in Hager's town, all vagrant, loose and disorderly persons, lewd women, keepers of bawdy houses, and persons having no visible means of support and livelihood, and common disturbers of his or her neighborhood, that may be found within the limits of said town or the additions thereto, and to make it the duty of the keeper or overseer of said Work House to receive and keep safe all persons who shall be committed according to the tenor of such commitment: *Provided,* that no fine imposed under this section shall exceed the sum of twenty dollars, nor shall any person or persons be committed to the said Work House for a longer period than thirty days for any one offence.

Vagrants.

5. *And be it enacted,* That the said Moderator and Commissioners, be, and they are hereby empowered to impose fines, penalties, and forfeitures for the breach of their bye-laws and ordinances: *Provided,* that no ordinance of the said Moderator and Commissioners shall impose a fine, penalty or forfeiture, for any one offence of more than twenty dollars.

Fines and forfeitures.

6. *And be it enacted,* That all fines, forfeitures and penalties imposed or debts due to the said Moderator and Commissioners by virtue of any law, or ordinance of the said Moderator and Commissioners, recovered before any justice of the peace of the county of Washington, in the same manner that other small debts are recoverable in this state: *Provided,* that there shall be no stay of execution or supersedeas for more than three months from the rendition of the judgment, in any case in which a judgment may be rendered in favor of said Moderator and Commissioners.

How recoverable.

7. *And be it enacted,* That all fines, forfeitures and penalties imposed by said Moderator and Commissioners by virtue of any law or ordinance, be appropriated in such manner for the use of the said town as may from time to time by ordinance be directed.

How appropriated.