

And be it enacted, That if any assessor, nominated or appointed by virtue of this act, shall make default at the time appointed for his appearance, or on his appearance shall refuse to serve, not having, in the judgment of the commissioners, a lawful excuse, or shall neglect to return certificates of his said assessment to the commissioners, as aforesaid, at the time and place appointed, such assessor shall, for every such neglect, refusal, or default, forfeit the sum of five hundred pounds current money; and the said commissioners are hereby authorised and empowered, by warrant under their hands, to appoint an assessor, in the room of the assessor so refusing or making default; and every assessor, so appointed, shall be liable to the same penalty for every neglect, refusal, or default, as aforesaid; and if any assessor shall happen to die before he shall have fully completed his assessment, the said commissioners may, by warrant under their hands, nominate an assessor, in the room of the assessor so dying.

And be it enacted, That every commissioner, appointed or to be appointed in virtue of this act, shall, before he acts as such, take the following oath, or affirmation, if a quaker, menonist, or dunker, to wit: "I, A. B. do swear, or solemnly, sincerely, and truly declare and affirm, that, as commissioner for _____ county, I will, to the best of my skill and judgment, execute the duties of the said office, diligently and faithfully, according to the directions of an act, entitled, An act for the assessment of property within this state, without favour, affection, or partiality; and that I will do equal right and justice, according to the best of my knowledge, in every case in which I shall act as commissioner. So help me God."