

Sec. 2. *And be it enacted*, That whenever joint fences have, or may be established in Lake's, Straights, or Drawbridge Districts of said County, for the mutual benefit or advantage of different owners or possessors of adjoining land, it shall be the duty of each party to keep up in good repair, his, her, or their just and respective proportion thereof, in manner following, that is to say, all post and rail or plank fences shall be at least four feet high, and all worm or other fences shall be at least five feet high, the height in every case to be computed from the ground or base of any embankment upon which said fence is or may be placed.

To keep in repair.

Sec. 3. *And be it enacted*, That if either of the parties so making or keeping a joint fence shall not comply with the foregoing provisions and shall refuse or delay to make or repair the said fence, within twenty days after notice in writing shall be given to said party, his agent, overseer or tenant, then upon proof thereof before a Justice of the Peace, it shall be lawful for the said Justice of the Peace, under his hand and seal, to authorize the party aggrieved, and suffering by such refusal or delay, to make or repair the said fence as above required, and for so doing he, she, or they, shall be reimbursed all costs and reasonable expenses necessarily incurred to be recovered from the party so refusing or delaying, in the same manner as debts of a like amount are now recoverable.

Failure to comply.

Must pay.

Sec. 4. *And be it enacted*, That in case joint fences are not made and kept in repair according to the provisions of this act, it shall be also lawful for the party aggrieved or likely to be injured, instead of pursuing the remedy above allowed, to discontinue the said fence by giving three months notice in manner aforesaid; and in all other cases (unless by mutual consent) twelve months notice shall be required to discontinue any joint fence.

Remedy.

Sec. 5. *And be it enacted*, That whenever any person or persons shall under and by virtue of this Act, or any law of this State, be summoned or called upon to value and assess the damages done upon any enclosed land in the Districts aforesaid, by trespassing live stock of any kind or description whatsoever, the said person or persons so valuing or assessing the said damage, shall inspect and

Damages to be valued.