

they may be tried before any justice of the peace for Worcester County; provided, that any defendant or defendants in such cases shall, before the trial, be notified of his right to a jury trial, and in any such case the State of Maryland shall be the plaintiff, and the State's Attorney for said county and the defendant or defendants therein shall respectively possess the right to have the case removed to the Circuit Court for said county where they can have a jury trial and the justice of the peace or the Circuit Court may in all cases amend the warrant so that the offense intended to be charged may be duly set forth; provided, further, that if the defendant be found guilty and adjudged to pay a fine or to be imprisoned he may appeal to the Circuit Court for Worcester County, on recognizance at any time within ten days from the trial, and the State may also appeal in any case upon order of the State's Attorney. And said justices of the peace shall have power to issue all process necessary to exercise such jurisdiction, and where jury trial is waived they may try and determine all such cases and pronounce judgment and sentence therein, and they shall have power to approve the sureties of any recognizance entered into upon appeal from their decision.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That all Acts or parts of Acts inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act be and the same is hereby declared an emergency law and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public safety, and being passed by a ye and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 18th, 1916.

CHAPTER 496.

AN ACT to provide for an appropriation by the State of Maryland of the sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars (\$1500.00), or as much thereof as may be necessary for the purpose of paying certain claims against the Ocean City School Building Commission.

WHEREAS, By an Act of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1914, Chapter 227, a Commission known as the "Ocean City School Commission" was created; and