

CHAP. 232. courts for Saint Mary's, Calvert, Howard, Kent and Baltimore counties.

Constables' and auctioneer's fees. SEC. 12. *And be it enacted,* That the said board of commissioners shall allow such constables and such auctioneers as may be called by them into requisition under the provisions of this act, such fees as are usually allowed constables for serving of writs and summons, and such fees as are usually allowed auctioneers.

State's Attorneys' fees. SEC. 13. *And be it enacted,* That the said board of commissioners shall allow the State's Attorney for all suits brought on any of the aforesaid bonds such fees as are allowed by law as appearance fees.

Clerks' fees. SEC. 14. *And be it enacted,* That the clerks of the Circuit courts for Saint Mary's, Calvert, Howard, Kent and Baltimore counties shall be allowed for the recording all bonds executed, and census taken in pursuance of this act, such fees as are usually allowed and charges for the recording of deeds.

Commissioners' compensation. SEC. 15. *And be it enacted,* That the said board of commissioners shall be allowed for their services under the duties of this act a per diem of two dollars for every day they may be engaged in the execution thereof; *Provided, however,* they shall not be allowed any compensation for any time that may exceed thirty days in any one year.

Negroes exempted. SEC. 16. *And be it enacted,* That this act shall not apply to any free negress, nor free negro, nor his wife, who shall possess in his or her own right one hundred and fifty dollars of assessed property, nor to any free negro, minor or adult, of either sex, who may have a bona fide residence in the family of his or her parents; *Provided,* said parents shall possess in his or her own right fifty dollars of assessed property for each of his or said children who may have a bona fide residence in his or her family, in addition to the one hundred and fifty dollars of assessed property which is necessary to exempt him or her from the provisions of this act.

Act to be accepted by the counties. SEC. 17. *And be it enacted,* That this act shall not go into operation, nor take effect until it shall be accepted by majority of the legal voters of Saint Mary's, Calvert, Howard, Kent and Baltimore counties, cast at the next general election for the President and Vice President of the United States.

Election. SEC. 18. *And be it enacted,* That it shall be the