

CHAPTER 210.

AN ACT amendatory of an act, passed January session eighteen hundred and fifty-three, chapter three hundred ninety-two, entitled an act for the relief of William Bryan, late Sheriff of Anne Arundel county. Passed
Mar. 10, 1854.

WHEREAS, it is represented to this General Assembly, Preamble.
on application of William Bryan, late sheriff of Anne Arundel county, that by a law passed at the last session, of which this is amendatory, the commissioners of said county were authorised and directed to inquire into and examine his claim to be reimbursed, the amount of a judgment rendered in the circuit court of said county, against him on account of the escape of a certain negro slave as therein stated, and to levy upon the assessable property of said county for his use the amount of the said judgment exclusive of interest and costs, if satisfied that the said negro slave escaped from the jail of said county, by reason of the weakness and insecurity thereof; And whereas, it is right and proper that he should also be allowed as well the legal costs incurred by him in defending the suit in which said judgment was rendered, as also interest on the said judgment, if the said commissioners shall be satisfied that he was entitled to be reimbursed the amount of the principal of said judgment; Therefore,

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the commissioners of Anne Arundel county, be, and they are hereby directed to examine into and investigate the said claim, and if satisfied of its correctness, they are hereby authorised in their discretion to levy upon the assessable property of said county, a sum sufficient to reimburse the said William Bryan, as well the legal costs incurred by him as aforesaid, as also such interest as the equity of the case may justify, any thing in said original act, to the contrary notwithstanding. Authority to
levy.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That this act shall take In force.
effect from and after its passage.