

BOARD OF WARDENS PHILADELPHIA PORT ESTABLISHED

Act of Feb. 24, 1820, P.L. 40, No. 39

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A SUPPLEMENT

To the act, entitled "An act to establish of a board of wardens for the port of Philadelphia and for the regulation of pilots and pilotages, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, that ships and vessels of all kinds shall, and they are hereby declared to be liable and chargeable for debts due by the owners, masters or consignees thereof, for or on account of inward pilotage; and it shall be lawful for any pilot or pilots to whom any such inward pilotage shall be due and owing, to file a liable against such ship or vessel, her tackle, furniture and apparel, in the district court for the city and county of Philadelphia, or in the court of common pleas of the proper county in which such ship or vessel may be, whereupon process shall issue and such proceeding shall be had for the recovery of such debts as are usually had in courts of admiralty for the recovery of mariners wages.

Section 2. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the penalties imposed upon masters of ships or vessels by the twenty-ninth section of the act to which this is a supplement may be recovered in the manner in which debts due for inward pilotage are made recoverable by the first section of this act.

Section 3. Discharge of libelled vessel upon stipulation, with sureties

Whenever any ship or vessel shall be libelled as aforesaid, the master, owner or consignee of such ship or vessel, or his or their agent, may appear in the court in which the libel may have been filed, and enter into stipulation, with sufficient sureties, to answer such demands as shall have been filed against such ship or vessel, and thereupon such ship or vessel shall be discharged from the arrest: Provided, That no ship or vessel shall continue to be chargeable for inward pilotage, or for any penalty incurred as aforesaid by the master of any ship or vessel, longer than the time which shall intervene between the performance of the service of inward pilotage, or the neglect or omission incurring the penalty, and the departure of such ship or vessel to sea. 1820, Feb. 24, P.L. 40, 5 sm. L. 252, Sec. 3.