

## VETOES

### BILLS PASSED BY THE EXTRAORDINARY SESSION OF THE LEGISLATURE OF 1933 AND VETOED BY GOVERNOR RITCHIE AND HIS REASONS FOR SUCH VETOES.

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*(All of these bills were vetoed by the Governor after the adjournment of the Legislature, either having been presented to him after the adjournment of the Legislature or not in sufficient time to require executive action before adjournment.)*

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#### TAX REDEMPTIONS—ALLEGANY COUNTY.

(Chapter 52, House Bill 71.)

This bill provides that before selling property purchased at a tax sale, the County Commissioners of Allegany County shall first give notice to the previous owner, and permit such owner to redeem the property upon paying a sum equivalent to the price paid by the County Commissioners, plus taxes and public liens and the additional sum of 6 per centum per annum.

This bill is in conflict with the provisions of the State-wide law covering tax redemptions (Section 78, Article 81 of the Code), which provides for redemption within a year upon payment of the amount paid by the purchaser, with interest at the rate of 10 per centum per annum, and it seems to me unwise to have this State-wide law changed in one county.

In addition, the bill provides that the County Commissioners shall give the previous owner notice by mail of their intention to sell such property, and as the giving of this notice would not be indicated in any way on the land records, it would be practically impossible to show that the notice had ever been given or received, and hence there would fre-