

CHAPTER 311.

AN ACT to repeal *section* twelve, thirteen, fourteen, fifteen and sixteen, of article twenty-one of the Code of Public Local Laws, entitled Washington county, sub-title, "Almshouse," and re-enact the following in lieu thereof:

County Commissioners authorized to purchase land

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That it shall and may be lawful for the Board of County Commissioners of Washington county to purchase a tract or tracts of land not exceeding two hundred acres, for the accommodation of the poor of said county, at such time or times as they may deem expedient after the passage of this

Erect poor house.

Act, and to erect thereon all proper and necessary buildings, and the same to provide with all requisite stock, farming utensils, and whatever in their judgment the accommodation of the poor and the interest of said county may require.

May sell, exchange or dispose of present poor house.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That the said County Commissioners, at such time and on such terms as they shall deem expedient, may sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of the present poor house, and the lots of ground thereto belonging, and apply the proceeds of such sale, exchange, or other disposition to the payment of the debt which may be incurred under the authority of the *preceeding* section.

Prescribe mode in which products may be disposed of.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That the said County Commissioners of said county may from time to time prescribe the mode in which the products of said farm shall be disposed of and accounted for by the Trustees of the Poor, and for the management of the lands and other property purchased under the authority of this Act, as the comfort of the poor and the interest of the county may require.

Authorized to levy tax.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted,* That the County Commissioners of said county be and they are hereby authorized to levy upon the assessable property of said county such sum or sums of money as may be necessary to carry into effect the object of this Act.