

be and the same is hereby transferred and conveyed to the Board of County School Commissioners of Cecil County, to be used and appropriated or sold by them, and the proceeds thereof be placed with the general school fund of said Cecil County.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 7, 1904.

CHAPTER 361.

AN ACT to amend Article 3 of the Code of Public Local Laws of the State of Maryland, title "Baltimore County," sub-title "Clerk," by adding an additional section providing for the preservation and recording of plats filed in his office, to follow Section 30 of said Article and to be known as Section 30A.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland.* That a new section be added to Article 3 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Baltimore County," sub-title "Clerk," to follow Section 30, to be known as Section 30A of said Article and to read as follows:

Baltimore County.

30A. It shall be the duty of said Clerk to record and preserve all plats heretofore or hereafter filed in his office in tin tubes three inches in diameter and twenty-four inches in length, proper index or indexes thereto, the expense in the case of plats heretofore filed to be charged as one of the expenses of his office, and of those hereafter filed or left for record to be paid by those filing or leaving said plat for record, and all plats so left for record and endorsed and placed in tubes unnumbered and indexed as aforesaid, shall be allowed to have been recorded, and are hereby declared to be records belonging to said Clerk's office and shall have the same effect and validity as if recorded among the land records, or the mortgage records, or the judicial records of said Clerk's office as the nature of the case may require, and certified copies of plats so recorded as aforesaid shall be receivable in evidence to the same extent as certified copies of other records in said office; and in the event of the loss or destruction in whole or in part of the original of said plats, certified copies of copies previously certified shall be substituted therefor, and may be received in evidence, and shall have all the effect and validity of certified copies of the originals as aforesaid.

County Clerk to preserve all plats and index same.

Certified copies of same.