

sell the said shares, or as many of the same as may be necessary, to the highest and the best bidder for cash, to satisfy the said taxes, and the costs and expenses of said sale, including the cost of said advertisement.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That it shall be the duty of the said collector, as soon as practicable after said sale or sales, to report the same in writing to the circuit court of the county, or the City Court of Baltimore city, as the case may be, with an affidavit of the truth thereof, and of the fairness of said sale or sales annexed; and it shall be the duty of said court to whom the said sale or sales shall be so reported, at the earliest day practicable, to examine into the matter of the said report, and if it shall appear to the said court that the provisions of this act have been substantially complied with, and that the purchase money for the said shares of stock so sold, has been paid to the said collector, to confirm said sale, and to order the president and directors of the said bank to transfer the said shares of stock so sold, on the books of said bank, to the purchaser thereof, and to issue a certificate to said purchaser therefor; and said order shall entitle the said purchaser to said shares of stock so sold as aforesaid; and if said court shall find that the provisions of this act have not been complied with, said court shall set the said sale aside, and shall order the said collector to proceed to sell the said shares according to the provisions of this act.

To report in writing.

To confirm said ss.e

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That said State taxes shall be a lien on said shares of stock, standing in the names of such stockholders respectively, from the time of the making of said report by said cashier as aforesaid until paid, and no transfer of the same by said stockholders, after the making of said report shall be available to pass any title to the said shares of stock until said taxes are so paid as aforesaid.

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SEC. 6. *And be it enacted*, That if, before the time of making said report by said cashier, any of said stockholders having shares of stock standing on the books of said bank, in any of the years for which said shares have been omitted, to be assessed and taxed as aforesaid, shall have *bona fide* transferred said shares or any portion thereof to some other

Transferred.