

CHAPTER 279.

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An act for the benefit and relief of the citizens of Worcester county, and all persons concerned in the records thereof, which may have been destroyed by the burning of the court house of the said county.

Passed April 1, 1836

WHEREAS, in the destruction of the court house of Worcester county, by fire, in the year eighteen hundred and thirty-four, many of the records of the said county were burned, and it is apprehended that from the unfortunate occurrence extensive evil may ensue unless prevented by legislation:—Therefore,

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That any person or persons having any original deed or deeds, for land lying and being in Worcester county, or other instrument of writing relating to lands in said county, which shall appear to have been recorded in said county and the record thereof has been destroyed, may be authorised to have the said deed or deeds or other instruments of writing recorded again, and the clerk of Worcester county is hereby required, upon application of the party or parties interested, to have the same deed or deeds or other instrument of writing recorded, together with the endorsement of the former instrument endorsed on the said deed or deeds or other instrument of writing, in a well bound book in folio for that purpose, and to be regularly alphabeted in the name of all the parties, and in the name of the lands and quantity of acres, and the said clerk shall on the back of the said deed or deeds or instrument of writing, make an endorsement of such second enrollment, and also the folio of the book in which the same shall be enrolled, and shall put his name thereto, which enrollment shall be made at the expense and cost of the person or persons requiring the same, and the deed or deeds or other instruments of writing, when so as aforesaid enrolled, shall have the same effect and operation in law, to all intents and purposes as if the records aforesaid, in which the said deed or deeds or other instruments of writing were heretofore enrolled, had never been destroyed.

Preamble

Deed may be recorded

Clerk required to record

Cost