

on the same terms as in the case of the sale of real estate. If not redeemed within said eight months, the treasurer of Dorchester County may assign the said mortgage to the purchaser. If the owner of the mortgage does not reside in said county, the County Commissioners may direct the Treasurer of Dorchester County to make inquiry as to the postoffice address of the same, and if learned, the County Commissioners may direct the said official to send a copy of the hereinbefore mentioned notice by registered letter. The mortgagee or his representative, the assignee or his representative, or other owner of the mortgage may file with the County Commissioners a statement, substantiated by his oath, that one or more *bona fide* payments have been made on the mortgage debt, and thereupon the County Commissioners may make such a rebate of the amount of the tax to be paid, according to the right and equity of the matter.*

This section is inoperative since mortgages on real estate in Maryland are not taxable at present time except in Frederick County, ch. 226, 1929, sec. 6 (p. 626), and sec. 12 (p. 723).

1914, ch. 770, sec. 121-I.

200. The County Commissioners of Dorchester County whenever, in their discretion, they may deem it advisable and proper, they are authorized to issue certificates of indebtedness for the payment of: (1st) The maintenance and support of the public schools in said county; and (2nd) for repairs and maintenance to the county shell roads and bridges, and for no other purpose whatsoever, bearing interest at the rate of not exceeding six per centum (6%) per annum for the date of same, which shall be endorsed upon the face of such certificates, and they shall levy on the assessable property of the county liable to taxation for the payment of said interest-bearing certificates in like manner as by law other claims have been heretofore levied for, provided, however, that all interest-bearing certificates issued during any fiscal year shall be paid in full, within six months from the expiration of such fiscal year, and that not more than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) shall be issued in any one fiscal year.

See sec. 154, which apparently supersedes this section.

COMMISSIONERS.

P. L. L., 1888, Art. 10, sec. 122. 1878, ch. 160. 1929, ch. 383.

201. The annual salary of each County Commissioner shall be seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$750).

P. L. L., 1888, Art. 10, sec. 123. 1872, ch. 281.

202. The clerk to the County Commissioners is authorized and empowered to administer an oath or affirmation upon any claim against the county, or upon any official papers connected with his office.

*Sec. 2, ch. 834, 1914, repealed all laws inconsistent therewith.