

estate for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, provided no public sale shall be for a less sum than the amount of the taxes, together with all costs, charges and interest due and chargeable thereon; and if for any real estate offered at public sale there shall be no bid which seems adequate to the County Commissioners or the Comptroller of Baltimore City, the same shall be withdrawn from sale and thereafter, at any time without any further notice, the County Commissioners, or the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore acting through its Comptroller with the consent of the Board of Finance Commissioners, may in their discretion sell the same at public or private sale for the highest amount they can obtain therefor. In the event of a sale, either public or private, a deed of conveyance shall be executed by the County Commissioners, or in Baltimore City by the Board of Finance Commissioners, to the purchaser upon receiving the full amount of the purchase price; thereupon the County Commissioners or the Comptroller of the City of Baltimore shall pay over to the Collector the amount of taxes, together with all interest and charges due and chargeable on said property, and any balance that may be left after paying the costs and expenses incurred in the purchase and sale of said property, shall pass into the general treasury of the County or City for the general uses thereof.

1929, ch. 226, sec. 85.

85. Any sale of lands by a collector, where the owners are described as the heirs of a named person, shall pass the title as fully as if such heirs were each named in the proceedings by his proper name.

1929, ch. 226, sec. 86.

86. If the purchaser of such real estate shall die without having procured a deed from the Collector, the Collector may convey the said real estate to the devisees or heirs of the purchaser, or in case of a sale subject to a ground rent to his executor.

Resistance to Collectors.

1929, ch. 226, sec. 87.

87. If any person shall resist, strike or menace with violence any collector in the discharge of his duties, or shall resist, attack or menace with violence any person present, and bidding or proposing to bid at any tax sale of property by a collector as aforesaid, the said Collector may summon for his defense the *posse comitatus*, and each person so summoned shall be allowed fifty cents per day, to be levied on the county or city as other charges; and if any person summoned shall refuse to serve, he shall be liable to a fine of five dollars, to be recovered before a justice of the peace, one-half to the use of the party prosecuting and the other half to the county or city.