

CHAPTER 267.

AN ACT to add additional sections to the Code of Public Local Laws of Somerset county, entitled "Revenue and Taxes."

Additional sections added.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the following additional sections be and are hereby added to the Code of Public Local Laws of Somerset county, entitled "Revenue and Taxes," and to read as follows:

Report sale.

SECTION 1. In all cases where lands held in fee simple, or by lease, or for life, or in any other manner, have been sold or shall be sold for payment of taxes in arrears in Somerset county according to the provisions of the General Laws of this State, it shall be the duty of the collector of taxes for said county to report said sale, together with all the proceedings had in relation thereto, to the Circuit Court for Somerset county, which shall examine the said proceedings, and if the same appear to be regular, and the provisions of said General Law in relation thereto have been complied with, shall order notice to be given by advertisement, published in such newspaper as the court shall direct, warning all persons interested in the property sold to be and appear by a certain day in the said notice to be named, to show cause, if any they have, why said sale should not be ratified and confirmed; and if no cause, or an insufficient cause, be shown against the said ratification, the said sale shall, by order of the said court, be ratified and confirmed, and the purchaser shall, on payment of the purchase money, have a good and indefeasible title to the property sold; but if good cause, in the judgment of the said court, be shown in the premises, the said sale shall be set aside, in which case the said collector shall proceed to a new sale of the property, and bring the proceeds into court, out of which the purchaser shall be repaid the purchase money paid by him to the collector on said rejected sale; and all taxes assessed on said real estate and paid by said purchaser since said sale, and all costs and expenses properly incurred in the said court, with interest on all such sums from the

Warn persons interested.

Sale may be set aside.