

## CHAPTER 197.

AN ACT to amend article four, section six hundred and ninety-two, of the Code of Public Local Laws, title "Baltimore city," sub-title "Mortgages," so as to include goods and chattels in the decrees for sales by consent.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That article four, section six hundred and ninety-two, of the Code of Public Local Laws, title "Baltimore city," sub-title "Mortgages," is hereby repealed and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Repeal.

SEC. 692. In all cases of conveyances of lands or hereditaments or of chattels real, or goods and chattels personal, situate in the said city, wherein the mortgagor shall declare his assent to the passing of a decree for the sale of the same, it shall be lawful for the mortgagee or his assigns at any time after filing the same to be recorded, to submit to either of the circuit courts of Baltimore city the said conveyances or copies thereof under seal of the superior court, and the circuit court to which the same is so submitted, may thereupon forthwith decree that the mortgaged premises shall be sold at any one of the periods limited in said conveyances for the forfeiture of said mortgages or limited for a default of the mortgagors, and on such terms of sale as to the said court may seem proper, and shall appoint by said decree a trustee or trustees for making such sale, and shall require bond and security for the performance of the trust as is usual in cases of sales of mortgaged premises.

May  
decree.

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## CHAPTER 198.

AN ACT in relation to cruelty to animals.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That any person who wilfully sets on foot, instigates, engages in, or in any ways furthers any act of cruelty to any animal, or any act tending to produce such cruelty, or by any act, conduct, neglect, or omission wilfully causes, permits or suffers any animal to undergo any species of torture or cruelty shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

Misdemeanor.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That the words torture or cruelty shall be held to include everything whereby unjustifiable physical pain, suffering or death is caused or permitted, and the word animal shall be held to include every living creature except men.

To define.

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