"Courts," sub-title "Relief to Sheriffs and Collec- Repealed and tors," be and the same is hereby repealed and re-re-enacted. enacted so as to read as follows:

46. On application by petition in writing to the several Circuit Courts or Circuit Judges, and the Superior Court of Baltimore city, of any sheriff or collector of the county and State taxes, or either of them, who has failed or neglected to collect any taxes or fees within the time prescribed by law, the court or judge may, on such terms as they may prescribe by an order, extend the time of such sheriff extend time. or collector to complete the collections, which extension may be limited in the discretion of the court or judge, and may be renewed as may be deemed reasonable; and the said petition and orders shall be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court or Superior Court where such application is made, and on application of the legal representative of any deceased sheriff or collector he shall be entitled to avail himself of the provisions of this section as fully as such deceased sheriff or collector could do if living, and the period of time elapsing between the death of any such sheriff or collector and the passage of this act shall not be included when computing the time after Plea of limiwhich the plea of limitation under any existing law tation. would be a bar to recovery.

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Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That this act shall take In force. effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 1, 1878.