

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That five new sections be and the same are hereby added to Article 17 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Prince George's County," sub-title "Clerk," subject "Recording of Plats," and to read as follows:

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the Clerk of the Circuit Court of said County is hereby authorized and directed to have "Copies" made, without any change of scale, or size, or dimension, of all plats of sub-divisions of Towns or Villa Sites and plats of every kind heretofore recorded among the Land Records of said County in Plat Books B. D. S. No. 1, and R. N. R. No. 2, which are present records of said County.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That the said copies of plats shall be made under the supervision and direction of the said Clerk of Court, by a competent surveyor or engineer to be selected by the said Clerk at a price and compensation to be first approved by the Comptroller of the Treasury.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted,* That the said copies of plats shall be made or drawn by said surveyor or engineer on substantial tracing linen or parchment, and shall be, by him, fastened, attached and recorded, under supervision of said Clerk, in a substantial book to be furnished by said Clerk and to be known and designated as Plat Book "B," which book shall be kept in the Clerk's Office of said County, as other Plat Books and Land Records are now kept. And the said Clerk shall endorse upon the record book at the folio where said original has been filed, a certificate that the plat heretofore filed in said record book has been copied and recorded under the provisions of this Act, which certificate shall give the liber and folio where said new plat may be found; provided that before said new plat or copy shall be entitled to record, as hereinabove provided, there shall be endorsed upon same in addition to the other certificate required by this Act, the certificate of the said surveyor or engineer, who made the copy, that the same is an exact copy or said original plat. And the said Clerk shall provide in the front of said Plat Book "B" or other Books an appropriate index of the plats therein recorded and the pages or folios of the respective plats therein recorded.