

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That in all cases where the comptroller shall require the services of an attorney or attorneys to assist him in executing this act, he may allow such attorney or attorneys, as compensation, a commission of ten per cent. on any state claim such attorney or attorneys may collect, or assist him, the comptroller, in collecting, where the amount of such claim does not exceed the sum of five hundred dollars, and a commission of five per cent. on all sums which such attorney or attorneys may collect or assist in collecting as aforesaid, where the claim exceeds the sum of five hundred dollars.

Compensation allowable.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That whenever any claim of the state shall be compromised or settled by the comptroller, without payment in full, he shall make and keep among the records of his office a statement of the evidence or facts upon which such settlement was made.

Keep records of statement.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Effective.

Approved March 31, 1884.

Chapter 117.

AN ACT to make valid deeds, mortgages and other instruments of writing recorded anew in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Calvert county since the third day of March, eighteen hundred and eighty-two, the original record of which was destroyed by fire.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That all deeds, mortgages and other instruments of writing which had been recorded in the office of the clerk of the circuit court for Calvert county, Maryland, prior to the third day of March, in the year eighteen hundred and eighty-two, the original records of which was destroyed by fire, and all of which deeds, mortgages and other instruments of writing that have since been recorded anew from the

Deeds, mortgages, etc., destroyed by fire, made valid.