

ceedings after or before ratification of the said sale by the court, it shall be lawful for the court, and it is hereby directed, to pass an order in the premises substituting the purchaser from the Commissioners in their place and stead.

236 E. The County Commissioners may require the treasurer to give as surety on the bond required of him by this Article, and to be approved by him, one of the corporation in the State authorized by the laws of this State to become surety on official bonds; and the Governor of the State may require the treasurer to give surety on the bond required of him by this Article, to be approved by the Governor, one of the corporations in this State authorized as aforesaid to become surety on official bonds; and in all cases in which such requirement is made, or in any case in which the treasurer may give such surety without being required so to do, the County Commissioners shall pay the premium or charge for such suretyships, and shall reimburse to the treasurer any such charge or premium as he may have heretofore paid for such suretyships.

Treasurer to give surety on bond required of him.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That section 237 of said Article, as the same was enacted by chapter 362 of the Acts of 1896, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Repeal.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Effective.

Approved April 9, 1898.

CHAPTER 507.

AN ACT for the Preservation of Certain Valuable Documents.

WHEREAS, The plats of resurveys filed among the records of the Court of Appeals of Maryland being so badly worn and defaced as to render many of them almost unfit for use and in such state of decay as to demand prompt attention looking to their preservation, J. Frank Ford, Esq., then clerk of said court, contracted in the year 1897 to have said plats restored as far as practicable to their former condition, and also to have them stoutly backed and edged, catalogued and so arranged and covered as to guard against like conditions in the future and afford facilities for handling and using them without loss or serious injury; and

Preamble.

WHEREAS, It is reported to this General Assembly that said work has been completed at a cost of one hundred and fifty dollars, and that said sum should now be paid; now, therefore,

Preamble.