

CHAPTER 360.

Passed Mar. 10, 1864. AN ACT to amend the one hundred and twenty-sixth section of Article sixteen of the Code of Public General Laws entitled, Chancery, relating to the sale of real estate, where the personal estate is insufficient to pay the debts of the decedent.

Amended and re-enacted. SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That section one hundred and twenty-six of the Code of Public General Laws of Article sixteen, be amended and re-enacted, so as to read as follows:

Real estate may be sold to pay debts. Where any person dies, leaving any real estate in possession, remainder or reversion, and not leaving personal estate, exclusive of the appraised value of the negroes, sufficient to pay his debts and costs of administration on any suit already, or which may be hereafter instituted by any of his creditors, the court may decree that all the real estate of such person, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be sold to pay his debts; this to apply to all cases where the heirs or devisees are residents or non-residents, or are of full age, or infants, or of sound mind, or *non compos mentis*, and to cases where the parties left no heirs, or where it is not known whether he left heirs or devisees; or if the heirs or devisees be unknown, and if there be no heirs, the State's Attorney shall appear to the bill.

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