

said slave or slaves shall be one hundred dollars, or one-half part of the market value in the State of Maryland of such slave or slaves so taken and returned to his, her or their lawful owner, his, her or their agent, trustee or guardian, at the choice or option of said owner, agent, trustee or guardian of such slave or slaves.

Sec. 2. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from and after its passage. In force.

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CHAPTER 23.

AN ACT to appropriate a sum of money for the redemption and repayment of unused Stamps, and to authorize the Comptroller to redeem the same. Passed Jan. 9, 1862.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the sum of one thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be found necessary, be and the same is hereby appropriated for the re-payment of all monies which have been paid into the Treasury, under the act of March tenth, eighteen hundred and forty-five, entitled, An act imposing duties on promissory notes, bills of exchange, specialties and other instruments of writing, to aid in paying the debts of the State, for stamped paper or papers, which shall appear from evidence, satisfactory to the Comptroller, not to have been used within the meaning and intent of said act. Appropriation for redemption of unused stamps.

Sec. 2. *And be it enacted*, That the Treasurer shall redeem all paper or papers issued under said act, which shall be presented to him for redemption prior to the thirtieth day of September, eighteen hundred and sixty-three, properly certified by the Comptroller; *Provided*, he does not exceed the amount appropriated for that purpose in section first of this act. Treasurer to redeem paper, &c.

SECTION 3. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from the day of its passage. In force.