

at the expense and costs of the party or parties requiring the same.

Sec. 22. *And be it enacted*, That the deed or deeds, or other instruments of writing, and the extracts aforesaid, when so as aforesaid enrolled, shall have the same effect and operation in law, to all intents and purposes, as if the records aforesaid, in which the said deed or deeds, or other instruments of writing were heretofore enrolled, had never been destroyed.

Made valid.

Sec. 23. *And be it enacted*, That any person or persons having possession of any bill of sale, mortgage, or other instrument of writing, relating to personal property, that appears to have been herefore recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court for the said county, and the record thereof has been destroyed, may have the same enrolled again, and the Clerk of the said Court is hereby required to record the same, together with the endorsement thereon of the former enrollment in the record book aforesaid, at the cost and expense of the party or parties requiring the same; and the same, when so recorded, shall have the same effect and operation in law, to all intents and purposes, as if the records aforesaid, in which the said papers were heretofore recorded, had never been destroyed.

Empowered to enroll bills of sale, &c.

Sec. 24. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from and after the date of its passage.

In force.

CHAPTER 282.

AN ACT to amend the eighty-first Article of the Code of Public General Laws, by adding thereto the following sections, imposing a tax on the Commissions of certain Officers.

Passed March 10, 1862.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That when their commissions are delivered to them, the following officers shall re-

Tax on Commissions.