

ratified by the Court, the County Treasurer making such sale shall by good and sufficient deed, to be executed and acknowledged according to law, convey to the purchaser or purchasers the parcels of land sold to them, respectively, and the deed of the successor in office of the County Treasurer who made such sale shall be as good and valid in law as though it had been executed and delivered by the last-named County Treasurer.

202. In the event that any former or preceding County Treasurer shall have failed, for any cause, to make a full report or take any other proceedings that might be required by law of any tax sale or sales made by him to the Circuit Court for Queen Anne's County as provided for in Section 200 and Section 201 of this Article, then the present Treasurer or any succeeding Treasurer is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to make such report of said tax sale or sales to the Circuit Court for Queen Anne's County and take such other proceedings therein as by law may be requisite which the Treasurer making said tax sale or sales should have done and was by law empowered and required so to do, and the said Circuit Court shall have such power to ratify said tax sale or sales in the same manner as if said sale or sales had been reported by the Treasurer making the same, and upon the final ratification by the Circuit Court for Queen Anne's County of said tax sale or sales the said present Treasurer or any succeeding Treasurer is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to execute and deliver unto the said purchaser or purchasers at said tax sale or sales made by such former or preceding Treasurer a deed to said property so purchased and such deed shall be as good and valid in law as though it had been executed by the Treasurer making said tax sale or sales.

203. Whenever real estate shall be sold by the County Treasurer, the owner thereof prior to the sale, his or her heirs, may redeem the same by paying into Court, to be paid the purchaser thereof, within the period of twelve calendar months from the date of such sale, the amount of the purchase money and all subsequent taxes paid by the purchaser, with interest thereon at the rate of ten per centum from the date of sale, and the date of such payment of taxes, respectively.

204. The County Commissioners of Queen Anne's County are hereby authorized and empowered, in their discretion, to purchase any property for sale for the payment