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hundred and forty-five, chapter one hundred and ninetythree, shall be to all intents and purposes as valid and available, as if the same had been and were so stamped; provided, that when any one of the aforesaid instruments of writing presented to the clerk of any county, or of Howard District, to be recorded, there shall be paid to the clerk the duty chargeable by law on such instrument of writing, which duty such clerk is hereby authorised and required to receive, and to endorse a receipt therefor, under his hand, upon some part of such instrument of writing, and it shall be the duty of the clerk to record said receipt, together with instrument of writing upon which it is endorsed, and the clerks of counties and of Howard District, shall account to the treasurer for all sums so received, in the same manner as required by the ninth section of the act passed at December session eighteen hundred and forty-four, chapter two hundred and eighty; and provided, further, that the said instruments of writing so printed or written upon unstamped vellum, skin, parchment or paper or other material, shall not be so valid and effectual, unless the duty chargeable thereon by law, shall be paid to the clerk, as in the preceding proviso is

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SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That every of the aforesaid instruments of writing, which has been heretofore recorded without the same having been stamped as required by law, is hereby declared to be valid and available for all intents and purposes as if the same had been and were so stamped; provided, that the duty chargeable by law on said instrument shall have been paid to the clerk of the county, or of Howard District, at the time of recording the same, or shall be paid within six months after the passage of this act-

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SEC. 3. And be it enacted, That nothing contained in tax under \$200 the act to which this is a supplement, shall be so construed as to require the payment of the duty or tax therein mentioned, on any deed, when the property thereby conveyed shall not exceed two hundred dollars; and that nothing contained in this act shall be so construed as to alter the present law relating to the recording of deeds, and other instruments of writing mentioned in the first section of this act. a also to alid her disable days lin bis

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Repealed, &c. SEC. 4. And be it enucted, That the fourteenth section of the act passed at December session, eighteen hundred and forty-four, chapter two hundred and eighty, limiting the operation of said act to the first day of May, eighteen hundred and forty-eight be, and the same is

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