

**CHAP. 113.** **SEC. 2.** *And be it enacted,* That all title or titles, derived under or by virtue of said deed, be, and the same is hereby made good, notwithstanding the defects in said acknowledgment; *Provided, however,* that this act shall have no effect to defeat the rights of any parties, as creditors or otherwise, which may have heretofore attached.

Titles good.

Proviso

**CHAPTER 113.**

**AN ACT** for carrying into execution the powers vested by the Constitution in the Commissioner of Lotteries.

Passed March 19, 1852.

Present commissioner to complete acts of late commissioner:

Proviso:

Vacancy to be filled by Governor.

Contracts—how to be made.

Instalments to be divided pro rata.

**SECTION 1.** *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the present lottery commissioner, and his successors in office, shall have all the powers and perform all the duties of the late lottery commissioners, shall draw the Maryland consolidated lotteries, as recognized by them, and do and complete all acts that they might have done if continued in office; *Provided,* that no lottery commissioner shall enter upon the duties of his office until he shall have first given bond for the faithful performance thereof as required by the constitution.

**SEC. 2.** *And be it enacted,* That in case of a vacancy in the office of lottery commissioner, by the removal, death, resignation or disqualification of said officer the vacancy shall be filled by appointment by the Governor, and the person so appointed shall hold said office until the election and qualification of his successor.

**SEC. 3.** *And be it enacted,* That for the purpose of making a contract or contracts as required by the fifth section of the seventh article of the Constitution, the commissioner of lotteries may accept a surrender of any existing contract, and every contract hereafter made shall provide for the payment to the Treasurer, by the contractor or contractors, in equal quarterly instalments, of the sum secured to the State, and for the payment on the draft of the lottery commissioner to the persons, or bodies politic, or corporate, entitled thereto, in equal semi-annual instalments, of the sum to be distributed amongst the existing lottery grants during the term of such contract.

**SEC. 4.** *And be it enacted,* That the commissioner of lotteries, on the maturity of each instalment for dis-

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