

said is completed, the land, so charged as aforesaid, or such part thereof as may be necessary to raise the sum due thereon, shall be sold to the highest bidder for the payment of the same.

C H A P.
XC.

IV. And be it enacted, That in all cases where the county charges of any county as aforesaid shall not be paid by the day or time mentioned in such advertisements, it shall and may be lawful for the commissioners of the tax of such county, or a majority of them, and they are hereby authorized and required, to direct the collector of such county, after twenty days previous notice at the court-house door, and at the most public places in such county, to sell to the highest bidder such tract or tracts of land, or such lot or lots of ground, or such part or parcels thereof as may be sufficient to discharge the taxes thereon due, and the same when sold to transfer, by deed of bargain and sale, to the purchaser thereof; provided, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to authorize or empower the collector of such county to sell more of any tract or tracts of land than may prove sufficient to discharge the taxes and legal charges thereon due; and provided also, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to authorize or empower the collector of such county to sell more of any lot of ground in any town or city in such county than may be sufficient to discharge the taxes and legal charges thereon due, unless the commissioners of the tax of such county, or a majority of them, shall be of opinion that such lot will not admit of division without material injury to the owner thereof, and shall previously authorize the collector to make the sale thereof to the extent of ground so sold, and unless an entry of such authority to such collector be previously made upon the minutes of the proceedings of such commissioners.

And direct
the collector
to sell, &c.

V. And be it enacted, That the collectors shall, within two weeks after making any sale of real property for the purposes aforesaid, make return to the clerk of the commissioners of all their proceedings in relation thereto; and that where, from the sale of any lot or part of a lot of ground in any town or city agreeably to the provisions of this act, any collector shall receive more money than may be sufficient to satisfy the taxes and other legal charges thereon due, such collector shall, within two weeks after such sale, deposit, for safe keeping, such overplus of money, after all necessary charges deducted, in the hands of the clerk of the county for which such person may be collector; and that the money lodged in the hands of any clerk in pursuance of this act shall be safely kept by him, and paid to the person entitled to receive the same, upon demand, or may be drawn by the commissioners of the tax of the county to satisfy other arrearages of taxes, in case any should again accrue whilst the said money shall remain in the hands of the clerk as aforesaid.

Collectors to
make return,
&c.

VI. And be it enacted, That all the powers and authority hereby given or granted to the commissioners of the tax in the several counties of this state be and the same are hereby vested in the commissioners of the tax for the city of Baltimore.

Powers vest-
ed, &c.

VII. And be it enacted, That nothing in this act shall be construed to affect the provisions of an act, entitled, An act for the more effectual collection of the county charges in Allegany county, passed at November session, seventeen hundred and ninety-six, or in any manner to extend in its operation to Allegany county.

Not to affect
a former act,
&c.

VIII. This act to continue and be in force till the year eighteen hundred and two, and till the end of the next session of assembly that shall happen thereafter.

Duration.

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An ACT to lay out and establish a road from the city of Annapolis to the city of Washington.

Passed Janua-
ry 20.

WHEREAS by a resolve of the last general assembly, commissioners were authorized and empowered to examine the situation of the country between the city of Washington and the city of Annapolis, and ascertain

Preamble.