

CHAPTER 729
(House Bill 874)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 113 of Article 81 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1965 Replacement Volume,) title "Revenue and Taxes," subtitle "Tax Sales," subheading "Foreclosure of Rights of Redemption by Equity Suits," providing for the conclusiveness of the decree rendered under the provisions of this subtitle and placing a limitation on the time in which the decree can be reopened on certain grounds and further providing for the amount to be paid to redeem the tax sale property if the decree is set aside under the terms hereof.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 113 of Article 81 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1965 Replacement Volume), title "Revenue and Taxes," subtitle "Tax Sales," subheading "Foreclosure of Rights of Redemption by Equity Suits," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

113.

No application shall thereafter be entertained to reopen any final decree rendered under the provisions of this subtitle except on the ground of lack of jurisdiction or fraud in the conduct of the proceedings to foreclose; *provided, however, that no reopening of any final decree on the ground of lack of jurisdiction or constructive fraud in the conduct of the proceedings to foreclose shall be entertained unless the application therefor with regard to decrees heretofore rendered is made within one year following the effective date of this act and with regard to decrees hereafter rendered is made within one year from the date of the final decree.* If the final decree of the court foreclosing all rights of redemption is set aside on the ground of lack of jurisdiction or *constructive fraud*, the amount required to redeem shall be the amount required by the provisions of this subtitle, and in addition thereto, the reasonable value, at the date the decree is set aside, of all improvements made on the property by the purchaser and his successors in interest.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1968.

Approved May 7, 1968.

CHAPTER 730
(House Bill 880)

AN ACT to authorize and empower the County Commissioners of Harford County, from time to time, to borrow not exceeding One Million, Five Hundred Thousand Dollars. (\$1,500,000) in order to finance the construction, acquisition, and improvement of a county governmental center, comprising capital facilities, buildings, and