

VII. **And**, whereas there are still some balances due to this state upon sales of confiscated property unbonded for, and it appears to this general assembly that in some cases the purchasers are unable to make payment, and the property is becoming daily of less value, **Be it enacted**, That the said agent, with the approbation of the governor and council, be authorized to release any of the said purchasers who are unable to pay, from their purchases, and take back the property for the use of the state; and the said agent, with the approbation of the governor and council, may make composition with the said purchasers for the use of the said property, and take bonds for the same to the state, with sufficient security, and give time for payment, not exceeding three years from the first day of December, seventeen hundred and ninety-three, always requiring an annual payment of the interest, and equal annual payments of the principal; and any property taken back the said agent shall dispose of in the same manner as he is before authorized to dispose of confiscated British property unfold, and to take bonds in the same manner for the purchase money, and on the same credit and terms; provided, that in no case shall the state refund any part of the principal or interest paid by such purchasers.

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VIII. **And be it enacted**, That the governor and council be authorized, if they shall think it necessary, to require new bond and security from any debtor who has not installed, and to limit a time within which such new bond and security shall be given, and if the same be not given within the time so limited, they shall direct the said agent to cause process to issue on the bonds of such debtors, and their securities, or to proceed on any execution already issued and served and suspended, as the case may require, for the whole principal and interest due from such debtors; and in all such cases it shall be lawful for the said agent, and he is hereby authorized, under the direction of the governor and council, if they shall think it to the advantage of the state, to take back the said property and dispose of the same on a credit of three years from the first day of December, seventeen hundred and ninety-three, always requiring annual payment of interest, and equal annual payments of the principal; and in all such cases where judgments may have been obtained, and where execution may have issued or shall issue, it shall and may be lawful for the said agent, and he is hereby required, to dispose of all the property of the debtors thus circumstanced, on a like credit of three years from the first day of December, seventeen hundred and ninety-three, always requiring annual payment of the interest, and equal annual payments of the principal; and the said agent shall lay before the legislature, at their next meeting, a list of all persons from whom property shall be taken back by virtue of this act, together with the amount of the former sales, and also of the sales made in virtue of this act.

New bond
may be re-
quired, &c.

IX. **And be it enacted**, That if any bond debtor to the state, for confiscated property purchased, or otherwise, shall neglect to make payment, agreeably to the condition of his bond, and sundry resolves of the general assembly, the said agent shall cause process to issue for the whole principal and interest then due, or shall proceed on any execution already issued and served and suspended as aforesaid, as occasion may require.

Debtors may
be sued, &c.

X. **And be it enacted**, That the said agent be authorized to superintend the collection of all balances due on bonds taken for taxes due before the first of January, seventeen hundred and eighty-three; and the said agent shall also superintend the collection of all balances due on bonds installed, or otherwise, for the emissions of paper money of seventeen hundred and sixty-nine and seventeen hundred and seventy-three.

Agent to su-
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collection,
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XI. **And be it enacted**, That no process shall issue against any of the public debtors, unless by the direction of the said agent.

No process to
issue, &c.

XII. **And be it enacted**, That the said agent shall have power to fix such days for the sale of property, taken by *feri facias* at the suit of the state, as he may think proper, always taking care to give at least twenty days notice thereof; and
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Agent to fix
days, &c.