

seventy-five thousand dollars, to be approved by the Governor, with the condition that if the above bound shall well and faithfully execute his office and shall account with the Comptroller for and pay to the Treasurer of the State the several sums of money which he shall receive for the State, or be answerable for by law, at such times as the law shall direct, then such obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue in law; the said collectors' bonds, when approved by the county commissioners, shall be recorded in the office of the clerk of the circuit court for the respective counties; when approved by the proper authorities in the City of Baltimore shall be recorded in the office of the clerk of the [Superior Court of] CIRCUIT COURT FOR Baltimore City and when approved by the Governor shall be filed in the office of the Comptroller of the treasury. The premiums on bonds with corporate surety given under this section or § 52 shall be paid by the county commissioners or the mayor and city council of Baltimore, as the case may be, for the collection of county taxes and by the State of Maryland for the collection of State taxes. On and after January 1, 1944, neither the collector of State taxes in the City of Baltimore, nor his bond, shall be liable to the State of Maryland for money not actually received by him because of the dishonesty or negligence of his employee; provided, however, that any such employee shall have first given a bond to the State of Maryland in a penalty to be fixed by said collector, with the approval of the State Comptroller, the Treasurer of the State, and the Governor, with the condition that if the above bound shall well and faithfully execute his position of office, and shall account to the collector of State taxes in the City of Baltimore for the several sums of money which he shall receive for said collector, or be answerable for by law, at such times as said collector may direct, then such obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue in law. The said bond of such employee of said collector, when approved by said collector, shall be recorded in the office of the clerk of the [Superior Court of] CIRCUIT COURT FOR Baltimore City, and when approved by the Governor, the State Comptroller, and the Treasurer of the State, shall be filed in the office of the State Comptroller.

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On application by petition in writing to the several circuit courts or circuit judges [and the Superior Court of Baltimore City] or any sheriff or collector of the county and State taxes, or either of them, who has failed or neglected to collect any taxes or fees within the time prescribed by law, the court or judge may, on such terms as they may prescribe, by an order, extend the time of such sheriff or collector to complete the collections, which extension may be limited in the discretion of the court or judge, and may be renewed as may be deemed reasonable, and