

be distributed, in such manner as according to law and justice may be proper.

SIMON SNYDER, *Speaker*  
of the House of Representatives.

ROBERT WHITEHILL, *Speaker*  
of the Senate.

APPROVED—the second day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and four.

THOMAS M'KEAN, *Governor*  
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

## CHAPTER XCIX.

*An ACT to provide for the payment of certain balances of purchase-money yet due and remaining charged on lands, which have been patented on warrants obtained since surveys were originally made in pursuance of old proprietary warrants and location, and for other purposes.*

**W**HEREAS it appears, from the papers in the land-office of this state, that many persons who held lands under proprietary warrants or locations, have, as is apprehended, in order to obtain patents for the same at reduced prices, procured new warrants from the state, on which in most cases patents have issued, thereby endeavouring to avoid the payment of part of the principal and interest due on their original contracts, and at the same time rendering the titles of those who are purchasers under them insecure: Therefore,

Section 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, and it is hereby*

*hereby enacted by the authority of the same,* That from and after the passing of this act, on the application of any person or persons holding a warrant or warrants for lands within this commonwealth, issued under the authority of the same, on which surveys have been made, or patents issued, and who are also in possession of the title to the same land, or any part thereof, by virtue of a proprietary warrant or location, and who are now desirous of doing justice to the state by patenting their said lands on their old proprietary warrants or locations, that the board of property shall have power to direct the receiver-general, on settlement of their said accounts on the said proprietary warrants or locations, to carry to their credit the amount of purchase-money and interest paid by them, or those under whom they claim on their said new warrants.

Persons having obtained warrants under the commonwealth for lands held by virtue of a proprietary warrant or location, and patenting said lands on such proprietary warrants or locations, to have a credit for the monies paid on their new warrants.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That this act and the benefit and advantages offered by the same, shall be and remain in force for three years, and from thence to the end of the next session of the legislature.

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