

them, for which purpose the county commissioners are hereby authorized to draw warrants on their respective treasurers, in favor of the said commissioners appointed as aforesaid.

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CHAPTER MMCXCIV.

A FURTHER SUPPLEMENT TO THE ACT, ENTITLED, "AN ACT FOR DIRECTING THE MODE OF DISTRIBUTING THE DONATION LANDS PROMISED TO THE TROOPS OF THIS COMMONWEALTH."

[Section I.] (Section I, P. L.) Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That the comptroller general shall furnish to the secretary of the land office, a list of the names of those persons whose lots in running the boundary line of this state fell into the state of New York, who have received no equivalent, and also a list of the number of lots reserved in lieu thereof, agreeably to an act passed the thirtieth day of September, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-one, to which shall be added eight lots, to be taken from the undrawn lots in any district such applicant shall choose, not already appropriated, from which lots the said persons shall choose other lots, instead of those they have lost, and shall have priority in the order in which they apply. Provided such application is made within three years from the passing of this act, personally by the applicant himself, or his widow or children, or by his, her or their attorney; and if any fraud should be suspected by the secretary of the land office, or if any difference should arise between applicants, the board of property shall investigate and decide as in other cases; and it shall be the duty of the secretary of the land office to call on the attorney so applying, to declare, on oath or affirmation, that he hath no interest in the claim, otherwise than to serve the applicant.

[Section II.] (Section II, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the comptroller general shall furnish the secretary of the land office, with a list of the names of all those persons, who have heretofore drawn lots, under the former laws directing the manner of distributing the donation land, and who have not received patents for the same, together with the number of the survey and district which hath been drawn opposite to their names; and it shall be the duty of the secretary of the land office, on application as aforesaid, to cause patents to issue for the lots respectively corresponding to the numbers so drawn; which patents shall be provided and printed upon parchment, at the expense of the state; and upon any apprehension of fraud, or if any difference should arise between parties applying, the board of property is hereby directed to decide as in other cases.

[Section III.] (Section III, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the board of property be, and is hereby, directed to proceed on all applications made, or to be made, by persons intended to be embraced within the provisions of this act, in the same manner as is directed by the thirteenth section of the act, entitled, "An act for the distribution of donation lands promised to the troops of this commonwealth," passed the twenty-fourth of March, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-five,¹ and when the lots shall have been drawn as aforesaid, the secretary of the land office, on application made, within the time and in the manner prescribed by the first section of this act, shall grant patents to such persons, under the inspection of the board of property, in the same manner as the executive council was directed by the above recited act, and without any charge of office fees. Provided always, That nothing in this act contained, shall be construed so as to defeat or impair any right to donation lands, acquired by persons entitled to the same, who have not yet received any equivalent, and who have applied within the time, and in the manner prescribed by the several acts heretofore passed, for the distribution of donation lands.

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¹Chapter 1139.