

## CHAPTER 246

(Senate Bill 348)

AN ACT concerning

### Tax Sales – Fees

FOR the purpose of altering the type of expenses for which a holder of a certificate of sale may be reimbursed under certain circumstances; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to tax sales.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
Article – Tax – Property  
Section 14–843(a)(3)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2007 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

### Article – Tax – Property

14–843.

(a) (3) If an action to foreclose the right of redemption has not been filed, and the property is redeemed more than 4 months after the date of the tax sale, the holder of a certificate of sale may be reimbursed for the following expenses actually incurred:

- (i) [attorney’s fees] **COSTS** for recording the certificate of sale;
- (ii) a title search fee, not to exceed \$250; and
- (iii) reasonable attorney’s fees, not to exceed \$500.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall be construed to apply only prospectively and may not be applied or interpreted to have any effect on or application to any tax sale or any proceeding relating to a tax sale held before the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2009.

**Approved by the Governor, May 7, 2009.**