

of this Province and the Authority of the same that what person or persons soever after the tenth day of October next Ensueing shall make or Cause or Suffer to be made for his Use any Tobacco hoggshead or Hoggsheads which shall Exceed forty Eight Inches in the full length of the Staff and thirty Inches in the Diamiter of . . . . within the Croes and the same hoggshead or any other hoggshead . . . . Gauge shall Pack full of tobacco and tended the same to be paid or shift . . . . forfeit and Pay for every such hoggshead so Packt and Exceeding that Length or Diamiter the Sum of Six hundred pounds of tobacco or fifty shillings one Moyety thereof to the Informer and the other Moyety to our Sovereign Lady the Queen her heires and Successors to be Employed by the Justices to . . . . the Charge of the County where any person or persons shall be Convict of Exceeding the said Gauge to be proved by the Oath of one Sufficient wittness besides the Informer before one or more Justice or Justices of the Peace who upon Complaint thereof made shall Issue out a warr<sup>t</sup> to the Constable of the Hundred to bring before him or them the Person or persons against whome Such Complaint is made and the Witnesses w<sup>th</sup> the Complainant shall name w<sup>ch</sup> Justice or Justices shall have . . . . .  
 said Justice or Justices of peace shall make out warrant to the Sheriff to Leavy the same by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattells of the party haveing so offended And to pay the moyety to the Complainant and to render an account of the other Moyety to the Justices of the County Court at the yearly Laying of the Levy.

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And be it further Enacted that if any person or persons shall after the tenth day of October next Ensueing pay or tender to Pay any packt hoggshead of tobacco whereof the full weight of the Empty hoggshead or the full weight within five Pounds over or under is not Cutt or Markt on the Bulge of such hoggshead, And be thereof Convict in manner aforesaid he or they so Convict as af<sup>d</sup> shall forfeitt for Every such hoggshead or hoggsheads not haveing the weight sett thereon as af<sup>d</sup> the sume of Six hundred Pounds of tobacco as af<sup>d</sup> to the Uses af<sup>d</sup> to be recovered as af<sup>d</sup> And for the better Ascertainning what shall be allowed for the Vallue of a tobacco hoggshead Be it Enacted by the authority af<sup>d</sup> that the receiver of any hoggshead of tobacco shall Pay and allow to the Owner or Owners thereof for such hh<sup>d</sup> received the Sume of forty Pounds of tobacco to be added to the neat weight of such tobacco.

And whereas the Inhabitants of this Province that ship their tobacco on board Ships and other Vessells upon ffreight are much Injured by Cropping Cutting Lessning and deminishing of the hoggsheads wherein such Tobacco is Packt by the masters of Ships or other Vessells or by other Persons under their Command and Governm<sup>t</sup> ffor remedy whereof for the future Be it Enacted by the Authority advice and Consent af<sup>d</sup> that if any Master of a ship or other Vessell within this Province after the Tenth day of October