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recreation or by working on that day when absolute necessity doth not require it shall for every such first offence forfeit two Shillings six pence Sterling or the value thereof and for the second offence five Shillings Sterling or the value thereof and for the third offence and for every time he shall offend in like manner afterwards ten Shillings Sterling or the value thereof and in case such offender or offenders shall not have sufficient goods and chattells within this Province to satisfy any of the aforesaid penalties respectively hereby imposed for profaneing the Sabbath or Lords day called Sunday as aforesaid then in every such case the partie so offending shall for the first and second offence in that kind be imprisoned till he or she shall publicly in open Court before the cheif Commander Judge or Magistrate of that County Towne or precinct where in such offence shall be committed acknowledge the Scandall & offence he hath in that respect given against God and the good Civill Government of this Province and for the third offence and every time after shall also be publicly whipt And whereas the enforcing of the forciencce in matters of Religion hath frequently fallen out to be of dangerous consequence in those common wealths where it hath been practised And for the more quiet and peaceable Government of this Province and the better to preserve mutuall love and unity amongst the Inhabitants there Bee it therefore alsoe by the Lord Proprietary with the advice and assent of this Assembly ordered and enacted (Except as in this present Act is before declared and set forth) that no person or persons whatsoever within this Province or the Islands Ports Harbours Creeks or Havens thereunto belonging professing to beleve in Jesus Christ shall

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