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Att session of Assembly begun and held
at the City of Annapolis in the County of
Anne Arundell the 28th Day of May in the
year of the Dominion of the Right Honourable
Charles absolute Lord and proprietor of the
provinces of Maryland and Avalon Lord Baron
of Baltimore & Anne of Denmark
Seven hundred and seven 1677 His Majesty
John Grant by Com^{rs} Govern^r
Were enacted the Laws following

W. B.

An Act For Regulating of Ordinaries

For the better regulating of Ordinary keepers and Inholders within this province
for the future It is thought necessary a fine be Imposed on every person that
shall be Exposed to keep an Ordinary or house of Publick Entertainment And for
as much as many Tediuous and chargeable debates have happened Concerning
the application of those fines which the representatives of the good people of this
province have hitherto Insisted could not be made without their assent therefore
Law which the Delegates and representatives as aforesaid in this present Gen^l
Assembly cannot depart from But for that this present Generall Assen^{ly}
are ^{fully} sensible how deeply they are Engaged to his Lordship the Right Hon^{ble}
the Lord proprietor for his so generous and ready Compliance with the most
Important of our late humble requests in committing the care of all his publick &
private affairs within this province Intirely into the hands of well Affected protestants
to the disappointment of others and much to the peace and satisfaction of his
Majesties most affectionate Subjects It is humbly hoped his Lordship will be
favourably pleased to accept of our readiness in Laying the fines proposed on
Ordinary Licences as a gratefull acknowledgment of his Lordships goodness &
the Benefits we have received by such his Lordships administration and
that it may be Enacted And be it Enacted by the Right
Hon^{ble}