

An ACT to make and emit Thirty Six Thousand Pounds Current Money of Maryland, in Bills of Credit; and for easing the Inhabitants of this Province; and to raise a Fund to sink the said Bills of Credit.

WH E R E A S, the Want of Money within this Province, is not only a very great Obstruction to the Trade thereof, but also obliges Tradesmen and other Persons, (who might be employed more to the Advantage of themselves and the Publick, in their respective Trades and other Occupations) to make Tobacco, with which Commodity, by the great Quantity thereof already made, the *European* Markets are over stocked, and the Price thereof so very low, that the People who have no other Dependance, must in a short Time, unless relieved, be reduced to Want: For Prevention whereof,

B E I T E N A C T E D, by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, by and with the Advice and Consent of his Lordship's Governor, and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Authority of the same, That Bills of Credit, to the Value of Thirty Six Thousand Pounds Current Money of *Maryland*, be printed, That is to say, Fifteen Thousand Bills of Twenty Shillings Currency each, Ten Thousand Bills of Fifteen Shillings each, Ten Thousand Bills of Ten Shillings each, Ten Thousand Bills of Five Shillings each, Eight Thousand Bills of Two Shillings and Six Pence each, Sixteen Thousand Bills of One Shilling and Six Pence each, Forty Thousand Bills of One Shilling each, and Seventy Two Thousand of Six Pence each; which Bills shall be indented, and impressed on the Left Side, near the Tops of the said Bills, with the Arms of the Lord Proprietary: And that the said Bills shall be in the Form following:

T H I S indented Bill of *Current Money of the Province of Maryland*, shall pass Current in all Paiments, according to an Act in that Case made and provided. Dated at Annapolis the *Day of* in the Year of Our Lord, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Thirty

W H I C H Bills shall be signed and numbered by Five such Commissioners, as the Lord Proprietary, or the Governor for the Time being, or the President for the Time being, in the Absence of the Lord Proprietary and the Governor, shall, under his Hand and Seal appoint, for executing the Powers in this Act mentioned; and the Sums of Money, that every of the said Bills is to pass for, shall be printed at the Top of each Bill, under the Lord Proprietary's Arms, and at the Bottom of each Bill; that each Bill of Five Shillings shall be marked with a Crown, each Bill of Ten Shillings Value with Two Crowns, each Bill of Fifteen Shillings Value with Three Crowns, and each Bill of Twenty Shillings Value with Four Crowns; and that the Value of each Bill under Five Shillings, shall be marked in the Margin with Roman Figures, signifying the Value of each respective Bill so marked: And that Counter-parts of the said Bills shall be likewise printed, and shall be numbered by the said Commissioners, and kept by them unsigned, at the Office, to be appointed for that Purpose by Virtue of this Act, where the said Counter-parts shall be by the said Commissioners, or any Three of them, entered in Books to be kept for that Purpose, under the Care and Charge of the said Commissioners,

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