

LII. **And,** For preventing the clandestine transportation of bad and unmerchantable tobacco from this state, and also for the better preventing the exportation of tobacco in bulk or parcels,

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LIII. **Be it enacted,** That no tobacco shall, during the continuance of this act, be transported or carried out of this state, either by land or water, unless in hogsheds which have been first viewed, examined, and stamped, at some warehouse appointed, or to be appointed, in pursuance of this act, and after due entry thereof made with some one of the naval officers of this state, and his permit obtained for that purpose; and if any person or persons shall carry or transport, or cause to be carried or transported, or shall lade on board for transportation out of this state, any tobacco, unless in hogsheds inspected and stamped agreeable to this act, or without such permit as aforesaid, such tobacco, so laden on board for transportation, shall be forfeited, and the vessel, her tackle, apparel, and furniture, and the master of such vessel shall forfeit and pay sixteen hundred pounds of tobacco for every hogshed, cask, or case of tobacco, and one hundred and sixty pounds of tobacco for every hundred pounds of tobacco in bulk or parcel, so transported or carried, or laden on board to be transported out of this state, contrary to the direction of this act.

Tobacco not to be transported unless in hogsheds stamped at some warehouse, &c.

LIV. **And be it enacted,** That if any tobacco shall be found removing by land out of this state, unless in hogsheds which have been viewed and inspected, uncased, numbered, and stamped, agreeable to the directions of this act, and without a permit from some naval officer for such removal out of the state, all such tobacco, together with the horses, cattle, carts, waggons, and all other carriages employed or in any manner made use of, in the removing, or carriage or conveyance of such tobacco, shall be forfeited, and may be seized by any officer, or any other person, and the property shall be vested on seizure in the person making the same.

Tobacco removing in unstamped hogsheds to be forfeited, &c.

LV. **And be it enacted,** That all sheriffs, under sheriffs, and constables, shall, at their March courts annually, to be held for their respective counties, take an oath, "That if they shall at any time know, or be credibly informed, or have good reason to suspect, that any tobacco is in bulk, or packed in any cask or other package, with design to be, or is actually put on board any vessel, in order to be shipped off, without being inspected, or that any tobacco is carrying or carried out of this state, either by land or water, without a permit for so doing, they will forthwith make information and a particular discovery thereof to the next justice of the peace of the county where such tobacco shall be;" and all sheriffs and under sheriffs respectively, who shall, after the fifteenth day of September next, be appointed or sworn into the said offices, shall, at the time of their being sworn, take the same oath and obtain a certificate thereof, and every such officer, failing so to do, shall forfeit one thousand pounds of tobacco; and every inspector shall take the same oath or affirmation (if a quaker, menonist, or dunker) before some magistrate of the county where he resides, before he enters on the execution of his office, under the like penalty.

Sheriffs, &c. to take an oath, &c.

LVI. **And,** Whereas tobacco is now frequently transported by land out of this state, or by water to the Head of Elk, Back-creek, or