

By the House of Delegates Monday 28 June 1714

Read the first & 2<sup>d</sup> time by Special Orders will pass - Signed & Ord.

Sent up to the Honble Council by Mr. Garrett Captn. Mariarte Captn Colgate & Mr. Maclemara Captn

Capt. Scott Mr. Stoddart Captn. Enoates & Major Woolford

They return & say they delivered the Bill, Col. Wm. Holland & Col. Saml. Young from the Honble Council Enter the House & deliver'd by Speaker the following Message viz.

By the Govr. & Council in Assembly June 28<sup>th</sup> 1714

We think fit to recommend to you that Whereas sundry Statutes of that parte of his Majts Kingdom of Great Britain Called England have been found very usefull & beneficiall within this her Majts Province of Maryland both in Civil and Criminall & for that it hath been often observed that many of the aforesd good and beneficiall Statutes of England not being Locall but sovran geall have sometimes been offered as Law and at other times denied as such as well by the Lawyers in this Province as the severall Courts wherein they have been Plead & offered to renders the Law Province very dubious & uncertain whether It is not absolutely necessary the severall Courts shoud be well informed how to give their Judgm't upon the sd Statutes and therefore if it is not advisable your House shoud joyn with this Board to state this mather & to direct our Agent to queare the opinion of some of her Majts Council att Law & two other Eminent Lawyers whether the sd Statutes of England are in force within this Province or not to the end her Majts Subjects here may know by what rule they walk & the severall Courts of Law how to render their Judgm't thereon

Signed & Ord. Wm Bladen & Comit

It is hereupon Ordered to be

Referred to be Considered off to Morrow

An Engrossed Bill for settling a Revenue on her Majts present Govr was Read ordered to be Endorsed thus vesp<sup>er</sup> June 28. 1714

Chancery & assented to by the House of Delegates

sent up to her Majts Council by Mr. Garrett Major Sprigg Mr. James Mackall Mr. Loyd

Capt. Scott & Mr. Robbins

They return & say they delivered the Bill

The House adjourned till to Morrow Morning 8 o'clock

Tuesday morning the 29<sup>th</sup> Day of June 1714 Read as Yesterday

Then the House met again according to Advcarnr

Then was Read what was done yesterday

Edward Loyd Col. Wm. Holland & Col. Thos Addison from the Honble Council

Delivered Mr. Speaker the Bill for settling a Revenue on her Majts present Govr

thus Endorsed, June 28. 1714

Read & assented to by her Majts Honble Council & signed & Ord. Wm Bladen & Comit

Ordered that the following be returned as an answer to the Message of the 28<sup>th</sup> instant

about the Statutes of England viz

To his Excellency the Governor and to her Majts Honble Council in Assembly

of the 28<sup>th</sup> instant by the Honble Col. Wm. Holland and

Col. Saml. Young to be a thing worthy of our Consideration But as we are Desirous to put an end to this present session the time of year being very inconvenient for revising our Laws and that we believe the Examining of the Statutes of England will require more time then our urgent occasions will at present admitt it is best to leave it

havereced the same to the Consideration of next sessions of Assembly to which we pray

your Excellencies & honours Concurrence, signed & Ord. Thos Maclemara

sent up to the Honble Council by Mr. Tyler Captn. Mariarte Captn Colgate & Mr. Maclemara

They return and say they delivered their Message

On a motion made for leave to bring in a Bill for the more easie ascertaining Settlement

of bounds of Land and to prevent unnecessary & vexatious Actions

It is Resolved and accordingly Ordered Remainder Contradicte

that leave be given for bringing in such a Bill this Session & that the Committee of Lands appear

the same to which s<sup>d</sup> Committee Mr. James Stoddart is added

Then the House adjourned till 12 o'clock in the after noon & then met present as in the morning

Col. Loyd Col. Coursey and Col. Young from the Council delivered Mr. Speaker the following

Message: By his Excellency the Governor and Council in Assembly June 29 1714

Gives a Finistic Bill

ing a Revenue upon her Majts present Govern