

hereby Revived & Continued for the Terme of Three yeares  
or to the End of the next Generall Assembly w<sup>ch</sup> shall ffirst  
happen

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An Act of Gratitude to the  
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Your Lōrpps humble Servants the Two houses of Assembly  
in this p<sup>s</sup>ent Assembly of the freemen of this Province of  
Maryland Assembled taking into Serious consideracōn the  
manifold Benefits & Advantages they Reap by your Lōrpps  
vnwearied Endeavours in p<sup>t</sup>ecting them from the many At-  
tempts made vpon the ffreedom of our Trade by Evill minded  
People as otherwise & in p<sup>t</sup>icular that yo<sup>r</sup> Lōrpps hath sent  
yo<sup>r</sup> Heire Apparent into this Province to be ou<sup>r</sup> Governo<sup>r</sup>  
vnd<sup>r</sup> yo<sup>r</sup> Lōrpp who is now returning to yo<sup>r</sup> Lōpp Suf-  
ficiently informed by euery years Experience the necessities of  
the Province for the Better Support of him the s<sup>d</sup> Leiveten<sup>t</sup>  
Gen<sup>l</sup> doe Pray that it be Enacted. And be it Enacted by the  
Lord Proprietary by & with the Consent of the vpper & Lower  
House of this p<sup>s</sup>ent Gen<sup>l</sup> Assembly That six pence p hogs-  
head be imposed for this yeare only vpon Every Hogshead of  
Tobacco being of the growth of this Province that shall be  
shipped on Board of any shipp or shippes vessell or vessels  
w<sup>th</sup>in the s<sup>d</sup> Province to be Exported this next Ensuing yeare  
and the Collecto<sup>r</sup> of the said Imposion to dispose of the same  
According to the Hono<sup>ble</sup> the Live<sup>t</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> direccōn w<sup>ch</sup> said  
Collecto<sup>r</sup> shall be by him Appointed Be it further ordeyned  
& Enacted by the Authority Aforesaid that the master & mas-  
ters of all & Every shipp and shippes & other vessels comeing  
to Trade within this Province shall vpon demand made by the  
Collecto<sup>r</sup> or Collecto<sup>rs</sup> who shall by the order of the Liveten<sup>t</sup>  
Gen<sup>l</sup> be impowered appointed to Receive & Collect the said  
Imposicōn from Every shipp or other vessell afores<sup>d</sup> enter into  
Security to pay such Collecto<sup>r</sup> or Collecto<sup>rs</sup> Six pence p Hogs-  
head that shall vpon any account w<sup>ts</sup>oever be shipped on Board  
his or their shipp or vessell to be Exported the s<sup>d</sup> paym<sup>t</sup> to be  
made in mony bills of Exchange or Such other wayes as the  
s<sup>d</sup> m<sup>r</sup> or m<sup>rs</sup> of the shipp or other vessell shall agree with the  
Collecto<sup>r</sup> for according to instruccōns from the Leiveten<sup>t</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup>  
and all ffreightes to be accountable to the master or masters for  
the number of hogsheads shipped for such Imposicōn as by the  
said mst<sup>r</sup> or masters shall be paid as Aforesaid And be it  
further Enacted & ordained by the Authority aforesaid for the  
discovery of the number of Hogsheads in Each shipp or other  
vessell Conteyned that the said master or masters of such shipp  
or other vessell shall deliver his Boatswaines Booke to the  
Perusall of the Said Collecto<sup>r</sup> or Collecto<sup>rs</sup> & make Oath of the