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An Act for the Rayseing and Prouideing a Support for his Lordship the Lord and Proprietary of this Prouince dureing his natureall life and likewise a Supply towards the defraying the Publick Charges of Gouernment

The Vpper and lower houses of this present Generall Assembly with all Imaginable gratitude and thankfullnesse Reflecting vpon the great grace and faouour Expressed by your Lordship to the people of this Province in the vnwearied Care which your Lordship hath shewn and the vast Expences and Charge which your Lordship hath been putt vnto from the tyme of their first seating in this your Lordships Province vnto this Instant merely to preserue them in the Enjoyment of their lives and liberties and the Increase and Improvements of their Estates and fortunes and takeing it into their Serious Consideracōns That as Gouernment is Necessary for the Conservacōn of all Societies the Charges of every Gouernment without which itt cannot possibly subsist ought in reason to be borne by those whose Conservacōns depend Vpon the Government for and towards the defraying the many great and Necessary
p. 61 Expenses of Government And to the intent Your Lordship your heires and Successors Absolute Lords and Proprietaries of this Prouince may for the future be Enabled in some measure to defray the same and in particular to allow Competent Sallaries and Encouragement to the Leivtenant Generalls and Cheife Gouernours And to the privy Councill of the Lord and Proprietary of this Prouince for the time being soe as without prejudice to their private affaires they may be Encouraged and Reasonably Required to attend vnto the Administracōn of Iustice and other Publick Concernments doe beseech your Lordship that it may be Enacted And Bee itt Enacted by his Lordship the Lord and Proprietary of this Prouince by and with the advice and Consent of the upper and lower houses of this present Generall Assembly That from, and after the first day of September now next comeing there shall be Raysed leavyed Collected and paid vnto his Lordship the Lord and Proprietary of this Prouince the Sumē of two shillings starling for every Hoggshhead & quantity of an hoggshhead of Tobacco which shall be att any time then after Shipped in any Ship or vessell to be Exported out of this Prouince or any the Territoryes Islands Ports Rivers Creekes or any places thereunto Belonging.

And Bee itt further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid and by and with the aduice and Consent aforesaid That the said duty and Imposicōn shall be from time to time paid and Satisfyed by the master and masters of every such ship or vessell Respectively in which any such Tobacco shall be Exported