

any waies Lawfully doe any Law Provisoe Act or Custome of this Province or other thing whatsoever had made ordeined or done within this Prouince to the Contrary thereof in any wise notwithstanding.

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An Act for Explanacōn of one Clause in an Act Entituled An Act prohibiting the importacōn of all horses, mares, geldings and Colts into this Province, with addition and amendment therein.

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Whereas at the first Session of this Assembly held at S^t Maries the 27th day of March, in the 39th year of the dominion of Cæcilius &c. Annoq Dom. 1671, and there continued untill the 19th day of Aprill then next following, for diverse reasons and Consideracōns to the Right hono^{ble} the Lord Proprietary of this Province and the upper and Lower houses appeareing, it was enacted and ordeined by the said Lord Prop^{ty}, by and with the advice and consent of the said upper and Lower houses of the said Assemblie, and by the authoritie of the same, That no person or persons whatsoever from and after the end of this Assembly shall import or bring into this Province, by Sea or Land, any horses, mares, geldings or Colts from any forreign Parts whatsoever, under the penalty of forfeiting all such horses, geldings, mares and Colts soe by him, or them imported or brought in as aforesaid, or the full value thereof: one halfe to the Lord Proprietary: the other halfe to the informer, or him or them that shall seize the same. To be recovered in any Court of Record within this Province by Bill, Plaint or Informacōn wherein no Essoine, Proteccōn or wager of Law to be allowed. This act to continue for three years, or to the end of the next general Assembly w^{ch} shall first happen. And for that his Excellencie Charles Calvert Esq^r Cap^t gen^{ll} and chief Governo^r under the said Lord Prop^r was graciously pleased to prorogue the same Assembly untill the tenth day of this instant October, and not to desolve the same And for that severall doubts and scruples have since the prorogacōn of the same Assembly arisen, and are like to arise in the Province amongst diverse the inhabitants thereof touching the time when the said Act should commence and begin to be in force. And for that severall numbers and companies of horses have been since the prorogacōn of the said Assembly, imported and brought into this Province, And whereas at the makeing of the said Law, it was the intent of the upper and Lower houses of the said Assembly, the said Act should commence and begin to be in force at the day of the end of that Session of Assembly, viz^t the 19th day of Aprill, in the 39th year of his said

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