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Agreed that it be Necessary and Convenient that Ports and Places for Trade be made and Appointed within this Province, and that they will tend much to the Honour Saefty and Security of the Province and Advancement of Trade

1. That We humbly Conceive the Title of the Bill may be better thus, An Act for Advancement of Trade, Tobacco being too particular, and the word Trade will Comprehend all Commodities whatsoever—

2^d That We Conceive the time Limited for Ships and Vessels to putt on Shoar and unlade at such Ports and Places is too Short, and that instead of those words from & after the 10th of October 1683 it will be better to say from and after the last Day of August 1684 & likewise that the Act be Amended in that Particular, in the 19th 30th & 31st lines of the Bill—

3^d And where it is said in the 12th Line of the said Bill at such place or places only as shall be Appointed by his Lordship, The Committee humbly Offer it to the Consideration of this house, whether it will not be Necessary that his Lordship be Moved, that he would take the Advice of this house, or the Commissioners of the respective Counties, before the said Ports or places be by his Lordship Appointed, To the End there may be such and so may Ports and Places Convenient in each County as may Suit with the Conveniency of the Inhabitants of Each respective County

4th That after the Ports and Places are appointed as aforesaid, Some Rule or Establishment may be appointed in the said Act, how, by whom, in whose Name, and for whose use such places shall be purchased, what Quantity of Acres and how to be Divided, and what evey man must pay for his Dividend and Settle the Surveyors fees for laying out the whole and Making Divisions—

5th The Committee thinks fitt that this Proviso be Added after the End of the 26th Line after the Word Notwithstanding Provided that Nothing in this Act Contained shall restrain or be Construed to Restrain or hinder any of the Inhabitants of this Province with any the Goods or Merchandizes bought at any the Ports or Places aforesaid, or with Goods and Merchandizes by them Purchased or Imported and Landed at any the Ports or places aforesaid to buy and purchase at their own and other Plantations out of the said Ports or Places Necessary Provisions of Meat and Drink for themselves & families and not otherwise any thing in this Act before Contained to the Contrary in any wise Notwithstanding

6th The Committee Conceive the Word immediately in the 33^d Line were better to be left out.

7th The Committee humbly Conceive the last Clause in the said Bill ought to be left out for that they think it Necessary