

to make the power Consent &^t in the Delegates Burgesses &^t U. H. Journal
Derivative from the Sheriff Whereas their power to do and ¹⁶⁵⁹⁻⁹⁸
Consent in the Assembly is only from the freemen by their
Delegation made by Virtue of such his Lordships Writt—

3^d It is said in the said Ordinance in case any of the Persons
so Elected dye or go out of the Province or be otherwise Dis-
abled to Sitt or Vote &^t upon Notice given from the Com-
missioners of the Peace or the Sheriff or the Surviving Deputy
or Delegate, to the Secretary or other Officer &^t New Writts
shall issue for the supply of the Vacancy of such Person Dead
gone out of the Province or otherwise Disabled to Sitt or
Vote &^t

This house conceives in the first place That such Notice may
be Neglected or if given not Sufficient to Disable such person
not Dead from being and Continuing a Member of Assembly
None being more proper Judges of the Disability of such
Member of Assembly then the house it self. Besides as the
Commerce of Our Province depends much upon a Dayly Cor-
respondency with Our Neighbours of Virginia, New York,
Pensilvania &^t a person Member of this house may have
Occasion to go about his Necessary affairs in the Intervall of
Assemblies, & be Absent at the Sitting of Assembly yet ought
not for that cause only to be removed from being a Member of
Assembly or to sitt or Vote there when he comes there again

Therefore this house have prepared a Bill for the Electing
and Summoning of Burgesses &c. herewith sent and passed
this house, to which they desire the Assent of his Lordship and
Upper house—

Signed p. Order C Boteler Cl of the Lower house of Assembly.

The Debate of the aforesaid Message referred.

And the house Adjourned till to Morrow Morning 9 a Clock.

Saturday 6th October 1683 the house mett again

Present

The honourable

{ Coll Henry Coursey }	} Coll William Stevens }	
{ Coll Vincent Lowe }		} M ^r Secretary Darnall }
{ Coll Henry Darnall }		

Then Came Captain Richard Hill and M^r Leonard Green
from the Lower house with this Ensuing Message Viz^t

Lower house of Assembly 6th October 1683

This house understanding that Jacob Young who was the
last Sessions of Assembly Impeached by this house, is now