

Liber W. H.
& L. proceeded against according to due Course of Law And if thereupon he shall be Legally convict by a Iury of such his obstinate refuseall or disobedience as aforesaid he shall be fined and imprisoned according to the discretion of the Iustices of the Provinciaall Court—

(12.) And for the Prevention of the great Charge of Annuall Assemblies who may meet for noe other occasion but onely to lay the Publick Levy in time of Peace Bee itt Enacted by the Authority aforesaid That the Leivtenant Generall & Councell from time to time dureing the Intervall of Assemblies for the defraying & payment of small Charges of this Province be and are hereby Impowered to assesse the same equally to be Levved vpon all the Inhabitants of this Province for the defraying the said small Charges in times of peace as aforesaid any thing in this Act to the Contrary in any wise notwithstanding Provided alwayes & itt is the true intent & meaning of this Act That the said sumes for the small Charges of this Province soe to be assessed by the Governour & Councell as aforesaid upon the Inhabitants of this Province as aforesaid exceed not in any one yeare the sume of fifty thousand pounds of Tobacco Provided that this Act or any thing therein Contained shall not extend to bind up or hinder the Lord Proprietary or his Governour or Leivtenant Generall for the time being or any officer especially Authorized from them or any of them vpon imminent danger by Invasion Insurreccōn or Incursion as aforesaid for and dureing the terme of Eighteen moneths before by this Act limited & appointed for his said Lordship to supply and furnish this Province in Generall and every County thereof with Sufficient Armes for soe many men as can be Reasonably Conceived to be necessary to be drawn out upon such imminent danger of Invasion Insurreccōn or Incursion as aforesaid att any one tyme But that they & every of them upon all or any such danger haue liberty to presse such private Armes & Amunicōn of or belonging to any person within this Province as shall be necessary upon such occasion dureing the said Terme of Eighteene moneths reasonable regard being had to each respective family that they be not left vtterly destitute of Armes & Amunition for defence of the same This Act to endure for three yeares or to the end of the next Generall Assembly which shall first happen

An Act directing the manner of Ellecting and Summoning Delegates and Representatives to serve in succeeding Assemblies

Forasmuch as the Cheifest and onely foundation & support of any kingdome State or Comonwealth is the provideing