

By his Excellency the Governor and Council in Assembly L. H. J.  
April 10<sup>th</sup> 1707

The Clerk of the Council through whose Office most of the publick Business of the Country passes has always been supplied at the publick Charge with Paper, Pens, Ink, Wafers and Wax. The present Clerk of the Council affirms he has officiated near nine years and never had but one Allowance of £ 6. which was in May 1704 At which Time he was allowed for an Assistant Clerk that Assembly but never since considered on that Score; Therefore we recommend to the House that they will direct the Committee of Accounts to make him a reasonable Allowance.

And whereas you thought fit to make an Allowance to the Clerk of your House over and above his Salary for that there were several Sessions in the year 1704 we wish you not to forget ours, whose Trouble and Service was equal; nay more, in that he finished his Number of Journals of the long Sessions compleat, when your Clerk provided but one Journal

Signed p Order W. Bladen Cl. Co

Upon debating the same Message the House thought fit that his Salary is sufficient to support that Office. Therefore resolved he have no further Allowance

Bill to continue the several Sheriffs their Rights to Execution for publick Dues &<sup>ta</sup>

Read the first Time and sent up by M<sup>r</sup> John Jones

He returns and says he delivered the Bill.

The House adjourns till two O'Clock Afternoon.

Post Meridiem. The House met again according to Adjournment Being called over were present as in the Morning.

Ingrossed Bill giving Power to the Farmers of the Lord Baltimore's Rents &<sup>ta</sup>

Indorsed April 10<sup>th</sup> 1707. Read and assented to by the House of Delegates

Sent by M<sup>r</sup> Hall for Concurrence

Col<sup>o</sup> Ennalls enters the House and delivers M<sup>r</sup> Speaker Bill continuing to several Sheriffs Power of Execution for publick Dues Read in the House the second Time and do pass. Sent up to be ingrossed

Bill to prevent cropping, cutting, and defacing Tobacco. Read and ordered to be indorsed. Read and assented to by the House of Delegates.

Signed p Order W. Taylard Cl. Ho. Del.