

publick untill his Lordships pleasure is further known but to L. H. J.  
all matters and things relateing to the Government

Signed p order W Bladen Cl Up<sup>r</sup> ho:

On Consideration whereof the following Endorsment was  
ordered to be made thereon (viz)

By the Lower house of Assembly  
July 28<sup>th</sup> 1716

May it please your Hon<sup>rs</sup>

Your Endorsment on this bill being Considered, wee  
readily agree to the two first amendments thereby proposed  
as being highly necessary for the due execution of the said  
Law, but the third and last amendment as proposed will give  
a greater liberty than has been given by the Act made in the  
first year of the Reigne of his present Majesty entituled an  
Act repealing a Clause in an Act of Assemby entituled an act  
for restabishment of Religious Worship within this Province  
and also appointing the oath of Abjuration to be taken within  
this Province and another act requiring the agent of the  
Lord Baltimore to certifie into the Secretary's office the  
Instructions and Conditions of Plantations with the fees by  
them Demanded and obligeing his Lordships Deputy Sur-  
veyors to qualifye themselves according to law which we pray  
your Honours will be referred to, on perusal of which it is  
hoped your Hon<sup>rs</sup> will not further insist on the said 3<sup>d</sup>  
proposed amendment, but if any Expedient can be found for the  
giveing any Just and reasonable latitude therein without  
running Counter to those laws which wee are not willing to  
give up wee shall readily agree thereto, wee also propose that  
the penalty of 500<sup>l</sup> mentioned in the Bill be reduced to half.

Signed p order. Tho: Macnemara Clk: Lo: Ho:

Sent to the Up<sup>r</sup> house by M<sup>r</sup> Stoddert, Cap<sup>t</sup> ffendall, Cap<sup>t</sup>  
Jowles & M<sup>r</sup> Pollard.

They return and say they delivered the bill

The said Co<sup>l</sup> Coursey with 4 other delivered M<sup>r</sup> Speaker  
the bill for laying an additional duty of 4<sup>th</sup> p poll on negroes  
and Irish Servants thus Endorsed (Viz).

By the Upper house of Assembly  
July 28<sup>th</sup> 1716

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This Bill read in this house the first time and will pass with  
these amendments Viz. That six moneths time be thought