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U. H. J.

The house meet According to Adjournment

Present

His Honour Charles Calvert Esq^r Gov^r

Coll^o Addison Esq^r Loyd, Coll^o Tilghman Esq^r Lowe Coll^o
Ward Esq^r Bordley & Esq Bowles.

The following Message Prepared by this house & Agreed
upon

By the Upper house of Assembly

July the 22^d 1721

Gentlemen. It being represented to this house by Severall of the Chief Officers of the Militia, that the Captains and other Officers under their Command are Discourag'd from Performing their Duty by being Rather Disused and Af-fronted, than Respected and Obeyed by the private Sentinells, which they Conceive is Chiefly Ocasioned by a want of Power in the Captains of the Severall Troops and Companys, to fine those who doe not Observe their Duty, as the Law Directs but must Apply to two of the field Officers for that purpose Who knowing the frequent Disappointments, that Attend the hearing Such Complaints Doe not Care to take the trouble upon them, It is therefore Proposed by this house that the Severall Captains, be Enabled by a Supplementary Act to fine those Who doe not Perform their Duty according to the Act for regulating the Militia &c^a With a Liberty to the p^{son} So fin'd if he think himself Agreiv'd to Appeale to two of the Chief Officers for reliefe p. 26

Signed p order Joh Beale Cl. Upper Ho.

Sent to the Lower house by Col Ward who returns & Sayes he Delivered the same

The following Message prepared and agreed upon by this house Viz.

By the Upper House of Assembly

July the 22^d 1721

Gentlemen. It is found by Experience that the Act for Limitting the Continuance of Actions is rather a prevention than a furtherance of Justice for that so many unforeseen Casualties frequently happen in the Course of Legall Proceedings that a Certain time Cannot be Limited for their Continuance without Imposing inevitable hardships on the