

Which Bill being read is likewise Assented to by this U. H. J.  
House

Adjourned till Morning

October the 21<sup>st</sup> 1724

Present as Yesterday

John Beale Esq<sup>r</sup> and M<sup>r</sup> Richard Warfield introduce Cap- p. 115  
tain Daniel Marriarte a Member elected to serve for Ann  
Arundel County in the Room of M<sup>r</sup> Joseph Hill deceased in  
Order to his Qualification who takes the several Oaths ap-  
pointed by Law and Subscribed the Oath of Abjuration and  
Test and withdrew

Read the Bill in Favour of Rachel Freeborn and thus en-  
dorsed Viz.

By the Upper House of Assembly October the 21<sup>st</sup> 1724

Read and will pass

Signed p Order Samuel Skippon Cl Up Ho.

Sent to [the Lower House by] Esq<sup>r</sup> Bowles

Read the message brought yesterday by M<sup>r</sup> Tyler and M<sup>r</sup>  
Bozman and the following Answer prepared thereto viz.

By the Upper House of Assembly October 21<sup>st</sup> 1724  
Gentlemen.

On reading your Message of the 20<sup>th</sup> Instant by M<sup>r</sup> Tyler  
& M<sup>r</sup> Bozman we Observe you therein propose an Abatement  
of the one half of the publick dues and Officers fees within  
this Province A proposall so unreasonable and Unbecoming  
that Justice and Honour which Ought to be the rule of a  
Legislative Power that we can by no means Concur with you  
therein for altho' we may dispose of our own rights as we  
please yet we cannot without the Greatest Injustice deprive  
those who have a Right to publick Claims or Officers fees of  
any Part of that which by particular Contracts or the stand-  
ing Laws or Customs of this Province becomes their due But  
to let you see that our House is as inclinable to Relieve the  
Necessities of the people in this time of Scarcity of Tobacco  
as you can be we are willing not only to abate the one half but  
even the whole of our Allowance for attending at this Session  
of Assembly Provided You will in like manner ease the pub-  
lick charge from your Allowances in which we desire your  
Concurrence.