

L. H. J. to be great) the people having hitherto spent their Time and Labour in tending it, And are not at all prepar'd to employ themselves or Servants in any other Business that will be advantagious to them the remaining part of the year, And therefore cannot consent to that Part of the Bill; We are likewise of Opinion that the Deduction of one third part of all Debts and fees sensibly affects Trade and therefore ought not to be in force so soon, besides it is too much and do's not bear a just proportion to the Quantity of Tobacco that will be made less than usuall by the Restrictions in that Bill; there are some other things which We think want Amendm<sup>ts</sup> in it too tedious to be reconciled by Messages and therefore desire a Conference w<sup>th</sup> some of the Members of your House such as you think fit to appoint on the Subject Matter therein Contain'd

Sign'd p Order. Geo Plater Cl. Up. Ho.

Thereupon resolved that a Conference be granted and the foll<sup>o</sup> Mess<sup>a</sup> prepar'd viz.

By the Lower House of Assembly July the 21<sup>st</sup> 1726  
May it please y<sup>r</sup> Honours.

In answer to your Message this Morning by Jn<sup>o</sup> Hall Esq<sup>r</sup> and three other Members This House are willing that the Conference proposed be granted and have appointed Col<sup>o</sup> John Mackall Col<sup>o</sup> Tho<sup>s</sup> Truman Greenfield James Harris Esq<sup>r</sup> Cap<sup>t</sup> George Dent Cap<sup>t</sup> Rob<sup>t</sup> King Cap<sup>t</sup> Levin Gale Cap<sup>t</sup> Henry Hooper Vachel Denton Esq<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> James Hollyday M<sup>r</sup> Tho<sup>s</sup> Gant John Beale Esq<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>r</sup> Walter Smith Members of this House to join w<sup>th</sup> such of the members of your House as your Hon<sup>rs</sup> shall think fit to appoint on that Conference who are ready to attend at such time and place as Your Hono<sup>rs</sup> shall appoint.

Sign'd p Ord<sup>r</sup> M Jenifer Cl. Lo. Ho.

Which was sent by the Gent appointed. They return & say they deliver'd it

The Question was put whether that part of the Tob<sup>o</sup> Bill that affects this Year's Crop shall be left out or not?

Carried in the Negative

Nicholas Lowe Esq<sup>r</sup> from the Upper House delivers M<sup>r</sup> Speaker the three engrost Bills sent up Yesterday Morning severally thus endorst viz.

July the 21<sup>st</sup> 1726.

The Engrost Bill whereof this is the Originall is read & assented to by the upper House of Assembly &

Sign'd p Order Geo Plater Cl Up H<sup>o</sup>