

Read the Petition of Several Gentlemen Practitioners of the Law U. H. J.  
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and Granted

The Engrossed Bill Entituled a Supplementary Act to the Act Entituled An Act for the laying out of Land and Erecting a Town in S<sup>t</sup> Mary's County at a place formerly called Seymour Town being Read is Ordered to be thus Subscribed

11<sup>th</sup> June 1730

Read and Assented to by the Upper House of Assembly

Signed p Order John Ross Cl: Up: Ho:

The Paper Bill so Endorsed is sent to the Lower House by Phil<sup>o</sup> Lloyd Esq<sup>r</sup>

A Message from the Lower House by M<sup>r</sup> King and M<sup>r</sup> Johnson with the Bill for the Relief of several Insolvent Debt<sup>rs</sup>

By the Lower House of Assembly June the 11<sup>th</sup> 1730

May it please Yo<sup>r</sup> Hon<sup>rs</sup>

We cannot consent to the Amendment proposed by your Honours To the Bill for the Relief of Several Prisoners since such a Clause will be inconsistent with the Design of the Bill and wou'd be a means of driving those poor people out of the province and render some of them Incapable to maintain their familys with such things as are necessary for their Subsistence Besides this House cannot conceive any Reason for preferring the Sheriffs Fees to Debts due to other Creditors, for it is certain the Expence the Sheriffs are usually at, in Supporting Prisoners is very Inconsiderable, in comparison with what they are allowed for it, And it appears by An Act of Parliament past in the second year of His present Majesty's Reign for Relief of Insolvent Debtors that no such preference is given, but on the contrary all Prisoners who should take the Oath prescribed by that Statute, if detained for Imprisonment fees &c. and upon no other Account, should be discharged; Which this House conceives to be a very proper Example for the Legislature of this Province to follow We therefore desire Your Honours will Pass the Bill as it now Stands

Signed p Order M: Macnemara Cl. Lo. Ho.

The Question being put whether the Bill Entituled An Act to Ascertain the Fees of Practitioners in the Law within this Province and to prevent Extortions, frauds and Abuses therein should be amended Resolved in the Affirmative.

Adjourned till to Morrow Morning 8 of the Clock