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Session A Supplementary Act to the Act, intituled, An Act, for laying out anew Fifteen Acres of Land, part of the One Hundred Acres of Land, formerly erected into a Town, commonly called Benedict-Leonard Town, upon Patuxent River, in Charles County, besides the Lots which have been already taken up, pursuant to the Directions of former Laws; and to restrain the Inhabitants from keeping any Stock, except within their Inclosure, in the said Town.

Whereas, by the said Act, the Owner or Owners of the said Fifteen Acres of Land, are to have his or their first Choice of One Lot; but no Time being limited therein, to make such Choice,

Be it therefore Enacted, by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Authority of the same, That the Owner or Owners of the said Fifteen Acres of Land, shall be obliged, within Ten Days after Notice is given to him or them, by one or more of the Commissioners, or by the Clerk of the Town, to make his or their Choice of One Lot; or upon Neglect or Refusal to make Choice thereof, any Person or Persons shall have Liberty to take up the said Lot or Lots, pursuant to the Directions of the said Law.

And be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That the Taker-up of any Lot or Lots within the said Town, shall be obliged to pay the Tobacco set and assessed upon the said Lot or Lots, to the Owner or Owners, either in the Hands of the Sheriff of Charles County, or to bring the Tobacco to such Owner or Owners Dwelling-House.

And whereas, it is thought prejudicial to the Inhabitants of the said Town, for any Person living there to keep any Creature or Creatures within the said Town, out of his Inclosure,

Be it therefore Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That no Person or Persons whatsoever, living, or to live, within the same Town, shall, after the End of this present General Assembly, under any Pretence whatsoever, keep, or support, within the same Town, or the Inclosure or Inclosures of Mr. Charles-Somerset Smith, any Hog or Hogs, Goose or Geese, Sheep, Horse or Horses, Cow or Cows, or other Cattle, belonging to themselves, or to any other Persons whatsoever: unless such Hog or Hogs, Goose or Geese, p. 33 Sheep, Horse or Horses, Cow or Cows, or other Cattle, be kept within such Person or Persons Inclosure, so keeping or supporting them.

And be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That any Person or Persons, that shall be convicted before a single Magistrate, on Confession, or Proof, of keeping and supporting within the