

Session Bills, or Gold or Silver, and all Bounties, Rewards, and Allowances  
 Laws given and allowed by any Act of Assembly of this Province, in Tobacco; and also all Fines, Forfeitures, and Penalties, settled and established in Tobacco, by any Law of this Province, shall and may be paid, satisfied, and discharged, in the said Bills of Credit, or in Gold or Silver, rating Tobacco at Ten Shillings per Hundred, and in Proportion for a lesser Quantity: And all Rates, Duties, and Impositions, upon the Importation or Exportation of any Goods, Wares, or Merchandizes, Servants, and Slaves (the Duties on Tobacco per the Hogshead, Chest, or Case, and Tonnage on Ships or Vessels, and all other Money to become due, or payable to the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, not being for the Breach of any Penal Law, or Penalty for any Offence, excepted,) allowing the usual Allowance of Thirty Three Pounds, Six Shillings, and Eight Pence, per Hundred, between Sterling and Currency.

Provided always, That no Person shall be obliged to pay the said Bills of Credit, or Gold or Silver, in Lieu of Tobacco; but that every Person shall be at Liberty to pay Tobacco for the said Levies, Fees, and Penalties, as if this Act had never been made.

And be it further Enacted, That any Person tendering or offering the said Bills of Credit, in Discharge of any Debt, for current Money, to be contracted, as aforesaid; or the said Bills of Credit, or current Money, in Payment and Discharge of any Levies, (except as before excepted) or the said Fees, or Penalties, shall have and receive the same Benefit and Advantage, from and by such Tender, as if such Tender was made of Gold, or Silver, or Tobacco in Specie; any Law, Usage, or Custom, to the contrary, notwithstanding.

Provided nevertheless, and be it Enacted, That every Person, who shall not tender or pay such Bills of Credit, or Gold or Silver, by the Tenth Day of April, Yearly, during the Continuance of this Act, shall be obliged to pay all Levies, and all Persons, who shall not tender the said Bills of Credit, or Gold or Silver, for any Lawyers Fees, when the Causes shall be ended, for any Fees from them justly due and owing, in Tobacco, as if this Act had never been made; any thing therein contained to the contrary, notwithstanding.

And be it further Enacted, That if at any Time, pending any Action or Suit, on any Bond, or other Contract, for the Payment of current Money, payable by such Bond, or Contract, to be made after this Act shall take Effect, if the Defendant shall bring into Court, where the Action or Suit shall be depending, all the Principal Money and Interest due on such Bond, or other Contract, and effectually secure the Payment of all Tobacco Costs, which shall arise due on such Action or Suit, in the Judgment of the Court where such Action or Suit shall be depending, and shall tender the same Bills of Credit, or Gold or Silver; that upon such Tender, and giving  
 p. 9 Security for the Costs, as aforesaid, the Defendant, or Defendants,