

ernment it must be more reasonable and even necessary to make a Perpetual rather than a Temporary Law, since on the one Hand the End Proposed of not being Liable to any Tax &c but such as should be Warranted by Laws made by themselves would in this particular be fully answered and on the other hand the Intention of not depriving his Lordship of the support of Government would be put beyond any Possibility of Doubt: And We have the less Reason to Apprehend Your Difference in Sentiments with Ours on this head since by the Act of 1704 only Twelve Pence p hhd is raised which by this Bill is Admitted to be a Proper and necessary Support for Government so that by a Perpetual Law now to be made His Lordship would not be entituled to more than what the Perpetual Law of 1704 gives him

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Further the Body or enacting part in the Bill Contains some Appropriations or Uses perfectly new in Bills of this Kind and upon the whole we rest Assured you will think us well Justified in Rejecting that Bill.

Signed p Order John Ross Ct Up Ho.

The Aforegoing Bill being Ordered to be entered at large in the Journal of this House is as follows

An Act for raising an Annual Revenue for the better Support of his Lordships Government and Governor within this Province

Whereas upon the most Serious Consideration of the several Laws heretofore made for Raising and Levying money for the Support of the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary his Government in and over this Province and maintainance of his Governor for the time being It doth not appear to this present General Assembly that there is any Law now in force to raise a Sufficient Support for that Purpose but that from the twenty ninth day of September In the year of Our Lord One thousand Seven Hundred and thirty two down to this time the sum of twelve Pence Sterling for every Hogshead of Tobacco exported out of this Province hath been Collected and Levied from the Inhabitants thereof under Colour and Pretext of An Act of Assembly made the fifth day of September seventeen hundred and four whilst this Government was immediately in the Crown Entituled an Act for Settlement of an Annual Revenue upon her Majestys Governor within this Province for the time being on a Supposition or Misapprehension that that Act whereby the said Twelve Pence was Given to her late Majesty Queen Ann her Heirs and Successors For the Support of her Government for the time being in and over this her Majestys Province did extend to the Lord Proprietary his Governor and Government And Whereas after the most mature deliberation it Manifestly Appears to this General Assembly that the Lord Proprietary is not within the words of the Aforesaid Act nor by any Reasonable Construction can be Compre-

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