

L. H. J. defraying other publick and necessary Charges of the Government
Lib. No. 45 And Whereas former Assemblys upon strict Enquiry made into the
Premises did find his said Lordship had not only been very deficient
and at small charge and Expence in maintaining a Magazine as afore-
said but that this Province hath been Obligated to defray all publick
Charges arising for the support of Government by way of an equal
Assessment upon the Inhabitants thereof the several Provisoos in the
afore recited Act to the Contrary notwithstanding And Whereas also
his said Lordship the aforesaid Moiety of two Shillings p hogshead
under pretext of maintaining A Magazine as aforesaid (until the
time of their late Majestys King William and Queen Mary taking
this Province under their immediate protection) did Convert to his
own use to the Impoverishing the Country and defraud of the publick
and being Incapacitated of Complying with what by the said Act
for the said moiety of two shillings per Hogshead as required

Be it therefore Enacted by the Queens most Excellent Majesty
by and with the Advice and Consent of her Majestys Governor
Council and Assembly of this province and the Authority of the
same that the said One Shilling per Hogshead for the defraying the
Charges of Government aforesaid as well for such Ships and Ves-
sels as have already Cleared before the making of this Act as for
such remaining in this province be raised Levied Collected and paid
unto our Sovereign Lady the Queens most Excellent Majesty her
heirs and Successors for the support of her Government for the time
being in and over this her Majestys Province aforesaid and the
Territories to the same belonging for every hogshead and Quantity
of an Hogshead of Tobacco which hath been for and during the time
aforesaid or which hereafter shall be at any time Shipped in any
Ship or Vessel to be exported out of this Province or any the Terri-
tories Islands Ports Rivers Creeks or places thereunto belonging
as aforesaid

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid by and with
the Advice and Consent aforesaid that the said duty and Imposition
shall be from time to time paid and Satisfied by the Master or
Masters of every such Ship or Vessel respectively in which any such
Tobacco shall be exported upon his or their Clearing or taking out
his or their dispatch or dispatches for every such Respective Ship
or Vessel and before the departure of such Ship and Vessel coming
into this province shall at their first arrival here and before their
Loading on Board any Goods or Commodities of the Growth pro-
duction or manufacture of this province give good and sufficient
Security to his Excellency or to the Officer thereunto especially ap-
pointed for the payment of the said duty or Imposition accordingly

Provided Always and it is the true Intent and meaning hereof
that this Act nor any thing herein contained shall be Adjudged
construed reputed or taken (any thing herein expressed to the con-