

emitting Bills of Credit established by Act of Assembly of the Province of Maryland the Sum of 2636:16:3 Current money in Bills of Credit of this Province to be applyed for Encouragement of such Persons as shall voluntarily enlist themselves in his Majestys Service, and will not pass

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Read the second time the Bill Entituled an Act for raising Three Pence p hogshead on all Tobacco to be exported in the time therein mentioned for purchasing Arms and Ammunition for the Defence of this Province, and will not pass, the aforegoing Bills sent to the Lower House with the following Message by Cot Harris

By the Upper House of Assembly 8th May 1740

Gentlemen

As Your Bill for issuing and paying out of the Office £2636:16:3 for Encouragement of persons enlisting themselves in his Majestys Service, by the Title and Preamble, seemed to shew a dutiful and commendable Ardour (which must fire the Breast of every sincere Lover of Our present happy and glorious Establishment of the illustrious House of Hannover) to facilitate and forward the Execution of the Grand Designs his Majesty has formed against the Spanish Settlements in the West Indies; We think it becomes Us, in an Affair of this nature, not only to acquaint you with the Reasons that induced this House to return Your Bill with a Negative; but also with what we are assured must much more effectually, than this Bill, contribute to the Success of Our Zeal for his Majestys Service: And therefore, Gentlemen, We hope you will permit us to say, that this Bill is not only in some parts improper but in other Parts so far from promoting the End designed, that hardly anything could be imagined more destructive to the laudable Purposes professed by the Preamble

We observe that the Monies intended to be issued and paid by p. 23
Virtue of this Bill, are distinguished by monies appropriated to particular uses & Purposes, and by monies in general out of the Office; Which last, we suppose, you apprehend not to be at all appropriated; As to the first Branch of Monies, we cannot but think it very extraordinary, that any Money already appropriated to particular Uses and Purposes, should be otherways applyed, unless such Uses and Purposes were either already complied with, or intirely abolished, or particularly and expresly provided for by the very Act directing an Application contrary to the former Uses; But instead of that the Replacing of these Monies is by this Bill referred to the Act of a future Assembly, which may or may not appoint the Committee made necessary by this Bill to replace such Money

As to the other Part of the Monies which may be in the Office, you will be pleased to consider on what Fund or Security Our Paper