

an Imposition on negroes & on several Sorts of Liquors imported and also on Irish Servants to prevent the importing too great a Number of Irish Papists into this Province

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There being several Bills past in Our House, which have lain a considerable Time before your Honours, We request they may be sent down, that if they shall pass in Your House they may be ordered to be engrossed, and all possible Dispatch be given to the Business, and this long Session brought to a speedy Conclusion

Signed p Order M Macnemara Ct Lo H.

Read the foregoing Bill the first time in this House and ordered to lye on the Table

The following Message is sent by Philip Lee Esq^r

By the Upper House of Assembly 26 May 1740

Gentlemen

Several Bills sent from your House now lye on Our Table for a second Reading, but We cannot think this House would act with that Decency and Duty We owe to his Majesty and the Safety of this Province, if any Bill should have a Passage in this House before a Bill for raising a Fund for Arms &c for Defence of this Province, and also a Bill for Encouragem^t of raising Forces for his Majestys Service, agreeable to the heads agreed upon by the Conferees of both Houses, and neither of which you have sent to us; We doubt not of your Approbation of Our Conduct in this Particular, since Your House shewed a remarkable Earnestness in forwarding two Bills for those Purposes at Our first Meeting, and when the two Houses could not by Messages agree on what Bills would be the most proper for such Ends, the Heads and Principal Parts thereof have been settled to Our mutual Satisfaction by the Conferees of both Houses; in Consequence of which we have daily expected from your House Bills conformable to such heads, & therefore We hope you will be pleased to send Us such Bills that We may by a quick Passage give a Preference to them which so much relates to his Majesty in every Respect, before every Other Bill

Signed p Order John Ross Ct Up H.

Adjourned till to Morrow Morning ten of the Clock.

Tuesday Morning 27 May 1740

May 27

This House met again according to Adjournment Present as Yesterday

A Message from the Lower House by Mess^{rs} Hooper and Aisquith