

Session Laws to the same uses and purposes as the Forty *per* Poll on the like Occasion, by an Act of Assembly made and passed at a Session of Assembly begun and held at the City of *Annapolis*, on the Twenty-sixth Day of *April*, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifteen, entituled, *An Act to declare how the Forty Pounds of Tobacco per Poll in such Parishes where there is no Incumbent, shall be disposed of*, is directed to be applied; And also in case any of the Leases as aforesaid made, shall, during such Vacancy as aforesaid, expire, cease or determine, that then and in such case, it shall and may be lawful to and for the Vestry-men and Church-wardens of the said Parish, for the Time being, to renew or re-demise the same, in the same manner and to the same uses and purposes, and under the like restrictions as are herein before set forth concerning those made or to be made by the Incumbent, Vestry-men and Church-wardens of the said Parish; any Law, Statute, Usage or Custom, or any Thing herein before contained to the contrary thereof in any wise notwithstanding.

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Lease to be
entred on
the Register
Book.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the aforesaid Lease or Leases so as aforesaid to be made, shall, and are hereby directed to be within Three Months from the date thereof by the Clerk or Register of the said Parish, for the Time being, at the request of the Lessee, entered *verbatim* on the Register Book of the said Parish, and there to be viewed and perused by any Person desiring the same, and who shall on Payment of a reasonable Fee or Reward, have a Copy thereof, or of such Part thereof as such Person shall think proper, and for which Entry so as aforesaid to be made in the Register Book, the Clerk or Register shall have and receive the Sum of Five Shillings Current Money, and no more; and which Entry when made as aforesaid, shall be deemed, taken and construed to be as good and effectual to all Intents and Purposes, as if the same had been acknowledged and entered among the aforesaid City, County or Provincial Records; any Law, Usage or Custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

Ch. XXIII. An Act for laying out and erecting a Town, at a Place called *Long-Point*, on the West Side of *North-East River*, in *Cæcil* County.

Preamble.
[Amended
by 1744 Ch.
22, 1750 Ch.
12 and 1753
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Whereas, the Encouragement of Trade and Navigation is the surest Means of promoting the Happiness and encreasing the Riches of every Country, and that such Trade is with the greatest Ease and Advantage carried on, when the same is drawn into and fixed in one or more convenient Places, whereby it appears, that erecting Towns and granting proper Immunities and Privileges for the Encouragement of People to inhabit therein, must greatly contribute to so desirable an End, and there being as yet no such Place settled at or near the Head of *Chesapeak Bay*, although from the great Extent of the Country round, and the Want of navigable Water above