

ACTS OF ASSEMBLY PASSED IN MARCH 1754

At a Session of Assembly begun & held at the City of Annapolis the Twenty sixth Day of February in the Third Year of the Dominion of the Right Honourable Frederick absolute Lord and Proprietary of the Provinces of Maryland and Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore Anno Dom. 1754 and Ending the Ninth Day of March following

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The following Laws were Enacted & Assented to by his Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esq.^r Governor

A Supplementary Act to the Act intituled, An Act for amending the Staple of Tobacco, for preventing Frauds in his Majesty's Customs, and for the Limitation of Officers Fees.

Whereas, by the Act of Assembly entitled, An Act for amending the Staple of Tobacco, for preventing Frauds in his Majesty's Customs, and for the Limitation of Officers Fees, there is a Commission of Six Pounds of Tobacco per Centum, given to the several Sheriffs, for Collection of the Thirty Pounds of Tobacco, payable by each taxable Person, to the several Incumbents of the respective Parishes within this Province, which is One per Centum more than was ever paid by the Clergy for the said Collection; and this present General Assembly being unwilling to burthen them with any greater Sum, for the Collection of their Tobacco, than has been heretofore paid by them, do pray that it may be enacted. [Preamble.]

And be it Enacted, by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, by and with the Advice and Consent of his Lordship's Governor, and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Authority of the same, That during the Continuance of the Act aforesaid, the several Sheriffs within this Province shall not be entitled to have, or receive, any greater Commission than Five Per Centum, for what Tobacco they shall severally collect from the Inhabitants thereof, to and for the Use of the several Clergymen, or Parishes, within the same; any Thing in the said Act contained to the contrary thereof in any wise notwithstanding. [Sheriffs to receive but 5 per Cent. on the Clergy's Allowance.]

7th March 1754
Read and Assented to
by the Lower House of
Assembly
Signed p Order
M Macnemara Cl lo ho.

On behalf of the Right
Honourable the Lord
Proprietary of this Province I will this be a Law
Hor.^o Sharpe

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Wax Appendant

7th March 1754
Read and Assented to
by the Upper House of
Assembly
Signed p Order
J. Ross Cl Up Ho.