

and Abuses which shall be committed against this Act; and if any Person or Persons summoned as aforesaid, shall neglect or refuse to appear and give Evidence as aforesaid, he, she, or they, so offending, shall, for every such Offence, be fined by the Justice that issued out the Summons in any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds Current Money, and be committed to Prison 'til paid.

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And be it further Enacted, That all the Forfeitures and Offences, made, done, and committed, against any Clause or Article contained in this Act, relating to the Excise, except Breaches of Duty in the Collectors or their Deputies, and where it is otherwise directed, shall be heard, adjudged, and determined, by any two or more Justices of the respective Counties where such Forfeitures shall be made, or Offences committed. And if the Party finds himself aggrieved by the Judgments given by the said Justices, he or the first entering into Bond with sufficient Sureties (such as the Justices by whom such Judgment shall be given, shall approve) with the following Condition, to wit, "The Condition of the above Obligation is such, That if the above bound

[Offenses against this Law, to be tried before any two Justices. If the Party be aggrieved, he may appeal to the County Court, first giving the Bond. The Condition of the Bond.]

shall and do prosecute the said Appeal with Effect, and also satisfy and pay to the Party suing or informing, the said Sums and Forfeitures by this Act laid and imposed, in Case the Judgment of the said Magistrates shall be affirmed, as well as all and singular such Costs and Charges, that shall be awarded by the Court before whom such Appeal shall be heard, tried, and determined; then the above Obligation to be void and of no Effect; else to remain in full Force and Virtue in Law," may appeal to the Justices of the Peace of the said County at the next County Court, to be held for the respective County where the Judgment shall be given, which Court is hereby empowered and authorized to hear and determine the same, and whose Judgment therein shall be final. Provided always, That no Justice who shall sit on the first hearing of any such Cause, shall sit to hear and determine the same Cause, in Case any such Appeal shall happen to be made therein. And the said Justices of the several Counties, within this Province, are hereby authorized and strictly enjoined and required, upon any Complaint or Information exhibited and brought of any such Forfeiture made, and Offence committed, contrary to this Act (except as before excepted), to summon the Party accused, and upon his or their Appearance, or Contempt, to proceed to examine Witnesses to the Matters of Fact, and upon due Proof thereof, either by Confession of the Party, or by the Oath, or Affirmation if a Quaker, of one or more credible Witnesses, to give Judgment or Sentence as before is directed, and to award and issue out Warrants, under their Hands and Seals, directed to the Sheriff of the County, for the levying of such Forfeitures, Penalties, and Fines, as by this Act are imposed for any such Offences committed, upon the Goods and Chattels of such Offender, and to cause Sale to be made of such

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[The Duty of Justices in Complaints of Offenses made against this Law.]