

And be it further Enacted, That every Guardian or other Person or Persons, who shall hold Lands in Behalf of or possess Lands belonging to a Minor, shall pay the Tax aforesaid thereon at the Days of Payment aforesaid, or in Default be treated, or his Goods and Chattels seized and disposed of, as before herein directed, in Case he, she, or they, had held or possessed such Lands in his, her, or their own Right as aforesaid, which Tax so paid, such Guardian shall deduct out of the annual Value of such Orphan's Estate.

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Provided always, That nothing herein contained shall be construed to extend to those unhappy People, who already have been or hereafter shall be obliged to desert their Settlements in Frederick County, through Fear of the French or their Indian Allies; but that they shall stand excused from Payment of the Land-Tax aforesaid of the Lands so deserted, during the Time of such Desertion.

[Lands
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to be tax'd.]

And be it further Enacted, That the several and respective Receivers or Collectors of the Land-Taxes aforesaid, before he or they proceed to the execution of his Trust, under this Act, shall enter into Bond, with good and sufficient Securities, in the Sum of Two Hundred Pounds Current Money, to the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, before one Provincial Justice, or two Justices of the County Court, with Conditions to the same Bonds as follows: "The Condition of the above Obligation is such, That if the above bounden Receiver or Collector of the Land-Tax in

[Receivers
of the Land-
Tax, to give
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whilst he shall continue in the Office of County, shall well and faithfully execute and perform the several Duties required of him to be performed by the Act of Assembly of this Province, entitled, An Act for granting a Supply of Forty Thousand Pounds for his Majesty's Service, and striking Thirty-four Thousand and Fifteen Pounds Six Shillings thereof, in Bills of Credit, and raising a Fund for sinking the same, and do well and faithfully pay to the Commissioners of the Loan-Office, for the Time being, the several Sums of Money which he shall receive or be answerable for, in Virtue of the same Act, at such Times as by the said Act is directed, according to the true Intent and Meaning thereof, then the above Obligation to be void, and of no Effect; otherwise to remain in full Force and Virtue:" Which Bond, so entered into and taken by the said Justice or Justices, he or they shall immediately call before him or them the Witnesses to said Bond or Bonds, and cause a Probate thereof to be made before him or them, which he or they shall endorse on the Back of the said Bond or Bonds, and shall immediately transmit the said Bond or Bonds to the Clerk of the Provincial Court, who shall forthwith record the same in the Provincial Land Records; and after Entry thereof upon Record, the original Bond is to be immediately lodged with the Clerk of the Council, who is hereby required to take charge of the same; and an attested Copy of the said Bond and Probate from the said Pro-

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