

levy, and collect in the Manner herein after directed, of and from every such Factor, Attorney, Agent, Store-Keeper, or Manager, all such Rates and Sums of Money as shall be assessed thereon. Provided always, and be it Enacted, That where any Person or Persons residing out of this Province, and having or holding any Messuages, Lands, and Tenements, within the same, shall have no Factor, Attorney, Agent, or Manager, dwelling or residing within this Province, that then and in every such Case, the Tenants and Occupiers of all such Messuages, Lands, and Tenements, who hold the same either by Parole Lease, or as Tenants at Will, or by Lease in Writing for a Term of Years, shall be chargeable with the Pound-Rate for the same; any Thing in this Act to the contrary notwithstanding.

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LIII. And whereas all the Messuages, Manors, Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, and Premises, intended by this Act to be charged with the Pound-Rate as aforesaid (his Lordship's Manors and reserved Lands excepted) are subject and liable to the Payment of a Quit-Rent to the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary of this Province; and whereas the Manors or Lands laid out for or reserved, and which are leased out by the said Lord Proprietary, and intended by this Act to be charged with the Pound-Rate, are subject and liable to the Payment of a Rent or Rents thereupon reserved, by Reason whereof the respective Tenants and Occupiers of the said Manors or Lands, do not in Truth receive to their own Use the true yearly Value of the same, for which, nevertheless, they are by this Act chargeable with the Pound-Rate; It is therefore Enacted and Declared by the Authority aforesaid, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the Proprietors and Owners of such Messuages, Manors, Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, and Premises, subject and liable to the Payment of a Quit-Rent as aforesaid, being charged with a Pound-Rate as aforesaid, to abate and deduct, and to retain and keep, in his, her or their own Hands, out of every such Quit-Rent, so much of the said Pound-Rate as shall be taxed or assessed upon the said Messuages, Manors, Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, and Premises, as a like Rate for every such Quit-Rent respectively, shall, by a just Proportion, amount unto; That is to say, Out of every Twenty Shillings of the said Quit-Rent, the Sum of Two Shillings, and so after that Rate for every greater or lesser Sum; and his said Lordship's Agent or Receiver-General, and all and every Person or Persons, who are or shall be any Ways empowered to receive the said Quit-Rent for the Use of the said Lord Proprietary, are hereby required to allow such Deduction and Payment, according to such Rates, upon the Receipt of the Residue of such Monies, as shall be due and payable to them for such Quit-Rent.

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LIV. And whereas, for the Support of the common Cause against his Majesty's Enemies, and the Defence and Security of this Prov-