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ince, it is reasonable and just, that the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary his Estate, should be taxed, in equal Proportion with the Estates of the good People thereof: And whereas, by this Act, all the Lands of all his Majesty's Subjects, as well unimproved as improved, uncultivated as cultivated, are charged with a Pound-Rate for the Purposes aforesaid: Be it therefore Enacted, by the Authority, Advice and Consent aforesaid, That all Manors belonging to, and Lands reserved for, his said Lordship, shall be liable and subject to the Pound-Rate aforesaid, to be ascertained as aforesaid. Provided always, and be it also Enacted, That every Tenant, Occupier, or Possessor of, or any Person having Right to, any Part or Parcel of the said Manors or reserved Lands, shall be rated and assessed for the Part or Parcel of the said Manors, or reserved Lands, by him or her held, occupied or possessed, or to which he or she has Right, in the same Manner, and at the same Rate, as if the same were actually his or her Estate in Fee-Simple: And his said Lordship's Agent, or Receiver-General, for the Time being, is hereby obliged, under the Penalty of Two Hundred Pounds Current Money, to be recovered and applies as hereafter directed, to make out for the Commissioners, by this Act appointed, of the respective Counties wherein any of his Lordship's Manors or reserved Lands do lie, Accounts, according to the best Information he has, of the whole Quantity of Acres contained in such Manors and reserved Lands respectively, and also particular Accounts of all and every the Parts and Parcels of the said Manors and reserved Lands, which at the Time aforesaid, shall be under the Tenure, Occupation, or Possession of any Person or Persons, with the Names of the said Tenants, Occupiers, or Possessors, and shall inclose the same under Covers, indorsed for his Lordship's Service, directed to the said Commissioners respectively, and the same shall deliver to the Sheriff of the County, where the said Agent shall reside, on or before the last Day of August next: And for the Services by this Act required of the said Agent, he shall be paid by the Commissioners or Trustees aforesaid, the Sum of Ten Pounds Current Money; and the several Sheriffs are hereby required to forward the same as Public Letters are directed by Law to be forwarded: Which said Accounts, the said Commissioners are hereby required to deliver to the proper Assessors, at the Time of their Qualifications, as herein after directed. And for the Residue and Remainder of the said Manors and reserved Lands, the said Assessors shall asses the said Agent or Receiver-General with the Pound-Rate aforesaid, and all such Sums of Money as the said Agent or Receiver-General shall be obliged to pay, by Virtue of this Act, he shall retain in his Hands, out of any Monies which he shall or may have in his Hands belonging to the said Lord Proprietary.

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LIV. And it is hereby further Enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for all and every the respective Tenants, who hold by Lease