

Contract or Agreement shall be and remain in full Force and Effect any thing in this Act contained to the Contrary Notwithstanding

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And be it further enacted that all Bonds (with Power of Attorney to Confess Judgment) taken for Money in Lieu of Tobacco between the fifteenth day of May Seventeen hundred and forty seven and the first day of December Seventeen hundred and forty eight shall be and are hereby made Void and of no Effect And it shall not be lawfull for any Justices of any Court within this Province to render or give Judgment on such Bonds by Virtue of such Power of Attorney and no Clerk or Clerks of any Court or Courts within this Province shall issue or make out any Execution upon such Judgment And that during the Continuance of this Act no Judgments shall be entered on any Judgment Bonds for Money taken afeer the fifteenth Day of May One thousand Seven hundred and forty Seven untill the Court Judge or Justice before whom a Judgment is or shall be Offered to be entered up be Satisfied that the Defendant or Defendants is or are actually run away nor even then unless the Plaintiff or his Attorney in Fact or one Acquainted with the Transaction makes Oath that the Bond was not Passed for a Tobacco Debt Contrary to the true intent and Meaning of this or the aforesaid other recited Act

[Judgment  
bonds taken  
for Money  
in lieu of  
Tobacco]

And Whereas the excessive Quantity of Tobacco made may in some Measure depreciate that Branch of Trade In order therefore to encourage the Manufacturing of Hemp Flax and other Proper Materials for the Necessary Cloathing and Use of his Majestys Subjects within this Province and to divert Part of the People from Labouring in Tobacco: Be it enacted by the Authority Advice and Consent aforesaid That from and after the end of this Session of Assembly it shall and may be lawfull for any Person or Persons not making Tobacco by themselves Servants or Slaves within this Province to pay at or before the tenth Day of April yearly or as the Business or Services, they may want in any of the Offices shall be done during the Continuance of this Act as well the Poll Tax due to the Clergy as all Lawyers and Officers fees and Assessments for Building or repairing Churches in Gold and Silver as regulated by this Act and that such Payment or Tender thereof and refusal shall be a full Satisfaction and discharge for the same though Charged in Tobacco any law Statute Usage or Custom or any thing contained in this Act to the Contrary therof in any wise Notwithstanding

[Encourage-  
ment for  
Persons not  
making To-  
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[To pay off  
Taxes and  
Fees, in  
Gold and  
Silver, as  
regulated by  
this Act]

Provided always That every Person or Persons Allowed by this Act to pay Gold and Silver instead of Tobacco due as aforesaid shall make Oath or Affirmation if a Quaker that he did not in the Year Preceeding by himself or by his Children Servants or Slaves make any Tobacco for Sale

[To be  
sworn that  
they made  
no Tobacco  
for sale]