

And Whereas by the discontinuing and abolishing June Court it is thought reasonable that the Time for limiting the Continuance of Actions in the several and respective County Courts within this Province should be shortened

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[By abolishing June Court, Actions how long to be continued.]

Be it therefore Enacted that all Actions Commenced or to be commenced in any County Court of this Province may be continued to the end of the third Court after the appearance Court and no Longer unless it shall appear by affidavit to the Satisfaction of the Court that Testimony Material in such suit is really wanting and that the Party alledging the same to be wanting or his Attorney or agent hath used his reasonable Endeavours for procuring such Witness or Testimony any former Law usage or custom to the Contrary thereof notwithstanding

And Whereas from the Increase of Civil Business in Charles, Talbot, Saint Marys Baltimore and Kent Counties it is thought Proper that the days appointed by Law for the holding of the County Courts for the said Counties be altered Be it therefore Enacted that for the future the County Court for Baltimore, Talbot, and Saint Marys Counties shall be held on the Monday before the first Tuesday in the Months of March August and November Yearly, for Charles County on the Monday before the second Tuesday of the said Months and for Kent County on the Monday before the third Tuesday of the said Months and that all Actions Process and proceedings as well Criminal as Civil which are depending and undetermined in the said County Courts or returnable to the first second and third Tuesdays in June next shall be construed Judged and taken to be in the same situation state and condition on the Monday before the first second and Third Tuesdays in August next as they would be on the First second and third Tuesdays in June next, And the Justices of the said County Courts for the Time being may on the Mondays before the first second and third Tuesdays of August next proceed to the hearing and determining all Actions Process and proceedings respectively as the case may require as fully and Effectually to all intents Constructions and purposes whatsoever as the Justices of the said County Courts could or might Lawfully do on the first second and third Tuesdays of June next any Law usage or Custom to the Contrary thereof notwithstanding

[By Reason of the Multiplicity of Business, the County Courts for *Baltimore, Talbot, Saint Mary's, Charles, and Kent* Counties, when to be held.]

And be it Enacted that all Pleas Process and Proceedings Civil or Criminal which are or shall be returnable to the next June County Courts of each respective County of this province shall by virtue of this act be returnable to the next August Court to be held for each County and all actions Suits Process and Proceedings Civil or Criminal depending in or returnable to the next June County Court of each County shall be and are hereby continued to the next August Court of each County and the said Process and every other Matter or thing shall be in the same state and Condition at the next August

[All Pleas &c. returnable to *June*, to be returned to *August* Court in each County.]

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