

No. 19 An Act to empower the Justices of Somerset and Worcester Counties to levy on the Taxable Inhabitants of Coventry Parish in said Counties the Quantity of thirty two Thousand pounds of Tobacco for the uses therein mentioned.

[Preamble.] Whereas Sundry of the Inhabitants of Coventry Parish lying partly in Somerset and Partly in Worcester Counties have by their humble Petition to this General Assembly set forth that the said Parish is very extensive, That the Inhabitants of the said Parish residing on the East side of Pocomoke are very remote from any place of Public Worship and have prayed that an Act may pass to enable the Justices of Somerset and Worcester Counties to levy on the Taxable Inhabitants of Coventry Parish in Somerset and Worcester Counties a Quantity of Thirty two Thousand pounds of Tobacco at two equal Assessments for the purpose of purchasing a Lot of Ground at or near Stevens Ferry on the East side of Pocomoke in the said Parish and erecting and building thereon a Chapel of Ease in the said Parish

[Persons named to agree for Two Acres of Land, & treat with any Persons to build a Chapel of Ease.] Be it therefore enacted by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary by and with the advice and consent of his Governor and the Upper and Lower houses of Assembly and the Authority of the same That the Reverend Samuel Sloane Mess.<sup>rs</sup> William Allen Thomas Bruff Joseph Scott and Major Thomas Hayward of Coventry Parish aforesaid which lies in Somerset and Worcester Counties aforesaid for the Time being or the Major Part of them be and are hereby Authorized empowered and required to purchase in ffee in the name of the Commissioners aforesaid of the said Parish for the Time being Two Acres of Land lying in Worcester County in the Parish aforesaid on the East side of Pokomoke and at or near Stevens's Ferry and to treat and agree with such person or persons as they or the Major Part of them shall think proper to employ and Build a Chapel of ease thereon for the use of the Inhabitants of the said Parish which said land when so purchased and the said Chapel when so built shall be and are hereby Declared to be constituted and deemed the land and Chapel of Ease of the said Parish and the said Chapel forever hereafter shall be supported and repaired at the charge of the said Parish

[Justices of Somerset & Worcester Counties to levy on the taxable Inhabitants of Coventry Parish, at Two equal Assessments, 32,000 lb. Tobacco;] And be it further enacted that for the Building of the said Chapel of ease on the East side of Pocomoke the Justices of Somerset and Worcester Counties for the Time being shall and they are hereby Authorised and impowered to Assess and Levy on the Taxable Inhabitants of the said Parish the Quantity of Thirty two Thousand pounds of Tobacco by two equal Assessments in the Years of Our Lord Seventeen hundred and seventy four and Seventeen hundred and Seventy five together with the Sheriffs Salary of Five per Cent for Collecting the same which said Asses[s]ments shall Respec-