

Certain  
bonds, &c.  
void.

SEC. 2. *And*, That all bonds, contracts and assurances whatsoever, made after the time aforesaid for payment of any principal money or tobacco, goods or commodities aforesaid, to be lent, or covenanted to be performed, upon or for any usury, whereupon or whereby there shall be reserved above the rate of six pounds in the hundred for money as aforesaid, or above eight pounds in the hundred for tobacco, or other goods and commodities as aforesaid, shall be utterly void.

Persons to  
forfeit  
treble, &c.

SEC. 3. *And*, That all and every person and persons whatsoever, which after the time aforesaid shall, upon any contract to be made, take, accept and receive, by ways or means of any corrupt bargain, loan, exchange, chievezance, shift, or interest of any wares, merchandises, or other thing or things whatsoever, or by any deceitful ways or means, or by any covin, instrument, or deceitful conveyance, for the forbearance, or giving day of payment, for one whole year, of and for their money, tobacco, goods and commodities aforesaid, above the sum of money, or quantity of tobacco aforesaid, for the forbearance aforesaid, shall forfeit and lose for every such offence the treble value of the money, tobacco, wares, merchandises, or other thing, so lent, bargained, sold, exchanged, and shifted as aforesaid, the one-half of the said fine and forfeiture to our sovereign lady the queen, her heirs and successors, for the support of this government, the other half to him or them that shall sue for the same, to be recovered in any court of record of this province by action of debt, bill, plaint or information, wherein no essoin, protection, or wager of law to be allowed.

A supplement 1824, chap. 200, authorizes a bona fide holder, without notice, to sue.

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#### 1706.—CHAPTER 8.

AN ACT declaring several acts of Parliament, made in the kingdom of England, to be in force within this province.

By the revolution and the provisions of the act of 1809, chap. 138, sec. 7, this act is abrogated.

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#### 1707.—CHAPTER 4.

AN ACT against Forging and Counterfeiting of foreign coins, gold or silver.

Superseded by 1809, chap. 138, sec. 2.

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#### 1713.—CHAPTER 2.

AN ACT for the more speedy conveying public letters and packets of this province, and defraying the charge thereof, and to prevent the abuses of breaking open and concealing any letters whatsoever.

The act of 1816, chap. 242, supersedes all of the provisions of this law, except the eighth and ninth sections.