

Runnawayes, & carry or cause them to be carryed before some Magistrate of any County of this Province upon whose Certificate of the delivery of such person Runnawayes the said sum of four hundred pounds of Tobacco to be Rayed and carryed out of the Publick assessments & allowed & payed to such person soe taking upp & delivering to a Magistrate as aforesaid such Runnawayes as aforesaid And the master mistris Dame or owner of such servant (if itt be a servant that is soe taken upp) to Reimburst the Publick againe the said sum of four hundred pounds of Tobacco upon the delivery of his or her servant And the said servant to Reimburst the master mistris Dame or owner by servitude or otherwise to the full satisfaction & content of the said master mistris Dame or owner But if the Runnaway soe taken upp & delivered to the Magistrate as aforesaid bee a freeman Then such Runnaway to be Imprisoned till such tyme as he hath made satisfaction by Reimbursing the Publick the said sum of four hundred pounds of Tobacco or shall give good Security for the same or shall make satisfaction by servitude or otherwise Provided that any servant that Runn away out of Somerset County into Accomack such person that takes him upp shall have but two hundred pounds of Tobacco & not more This Act to Endure for three yeares or to the end of the next Generall Assembly which shall first happen.

An Act touching Coopers & Gage of Tobacco Hoggshoads  
Whereas severall complaints have been made by divers marchants masters of Shippes & others of the unreasonable size of Tobacco Casks made in this Province whereby they are disabled to answer such freight as they agree for and thereby discouraged to bring their shippes hither which may turne to an apparent decay of Trade if not timely prevented And that the Coopers Employed to make Casks & sett upp Tobacco hoggshoads doe for the most part either through idleness or wilfulness neglect Profess or delay to sett upp & finish the quantity of Hoggshoads & Tobacco Casks to be sett upp & made till very late in the yeare & till shipping tyme be almost done to the great prejudice of Marchants Planters & inhabitants in this Province Be it therefore Enacted by the Right Hon<sup>ble</sup> the Lord Proprietarij by and with the advice & consent of the upper and lower houses of this present Generall Assembly & the Authority of the same That all Tobacco Hoggshoads which shall hereafter be made within this Province shall be of the size of forty three inches in length & twenty seven inches in the head & not under the size of forty two inches in the length & twenty six inches in the head And that what Cooper or Coopers or other person or persons that shall make Tobacco Hoggshoads & doe not observe the gage aforesaid shall forfeit the said Casks and upon Complaint thereof made be confisqued for his or their default by each Respective County Court where such person or persons doe Inhabitt And that any Cooper or Coopers person or persons whatsoever that shall agree w<sup>th</sup> any the Inhabitants of this Province and undertake with him or them