

Land certificate either not arrived into the land office of this Province or if the
Land was in no Patent as yet for the same granted and his Highness shutting up
the land office of this Province, and no persons being qualified to grant patents
for the same, they and others in the like condition are in great danger of losing the
benefit and estate of ρ in their said lands. To lay out and survey as aforesaid
Intention consideration whereof and for prevention of such Inconveniences within
this Province your Majesties most dutifull and Loyall Subjects the Burgesses and
Delegates of this present Generall Assembly on the behalfe of the good people of this
Province Doe humbly pray that it may be enacted, and be it enacted by the King
and Queens most Excellent Majesties by and with the advice and consent of this
present Generall Assembly and the Authority of the same That any person or persons
whatsoever being free Denizens & Subjects to the Crown of England that at any
time heretofore within the space of five years last past had obtained of his Highness
the Lord Prop. of this Province from himselfe or from any person by from or
under him any Warrant or warrants for any parcel or parcels of land either of
Resurvey or to be taken up within this Province and by vertue of which any parcel
or parcels of land whatsoever was by any Lawfull Surveyour of any County within
this Province Surveyed and layd out at any time before the Revolution of Affairs
or before the tenth day of July which was in the year of our Lord one Thousand
six hundred Eighty and Nyned and no patent as yet by his Highness granted for the
same Such person or persons by himselfe or his Attorney at any time within
twelve months from and after the Publication of this Law in the County where
Such land lyeth appearing before the Justices of the Respective County in which
the land lyeth as aforesaid, and producing to the Justices of the said County Court
a Certificate under the hand of such Surveyour as made the Survey of any ^{part} parcel
of land as aforesaid and proving the same by the Oath of such Surveyour if living
or by the books of such Surveyour or other evidences if the Surveyour be dead that
the said parcel or parcels of land was really and bona fide laid out and surveyed
for such person or persons by warrant for the same before the Revolution of Affairs
in this Province in the year aforesaid and filing the said Certificate and Oath in
the Records of the said Court it shall and may be Lawfull to such person or
persons to have, use, occupy, possess and enjoy all such lands & tenements so laid
out and surveyed as aforesaid and It is hereby declared & enacted That such