

26. Governour for the tyme being under the penalty of fifty pounds yearly
for such default. This Act to continue for three years or to the end of
the next generall Assembly which shall first happen.

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An Act for Regulating Ordinaries by lyesetting the number of them within this Province.

For the better Regulating Ordinaries keepers and Inholders within
this Province for the future. Bee it enacted by the King and Queens
most Excellent Majesties by and with the advice and consent of this present
Generall Assembly and by the Authority aforesaid that from and after
publicacion hereof the Commissioners of each County Court and the Mayor
Recorder and Aldermen of the City of St. Marys att the Mayors Court
be and are hereby authorized from tyme to tyme and as often as need
shall require to grant lyesnes to such person or persons as they shall
think fitt to be Ordinaries keepers and Inholders for the keeping of Ordinary
and houses of entertainment for so long tyme and in such and so many
places within their severall and Respective Counties and City afores.
for the ease and convenience of the Inhabitants travellers and Strangers
as to them Respectively shall seem most for which lyesnes the said
Persons that shall be so lyesnes to keep Ordinaries shall at the tyme of
his or their taking of such lyesnes or lyesnes be bound and obliged to
pay unto the Governour of this Province for the tyme being if he or they
keep Ordinary within the City of St. Marys or within two miles thereof
two Thousand pounds of Tobacco yearly for a ffyne for every such lyesnes
or if he or they keep Ordinary within any County within this Province
two hundred pounds of Tobacco, and give bond for due payment
thereof, and It is hereby enacted by the Authority aforesaid that the
Clerk of each Respective County Court within this Province and the Clerk
of the Mayors Court of the said City shall cause such lyesnes and the
ffynes for granting such lyesnes and the security given for payment
and performanc thereof to be duly entered upon Record in their
severall Courts and then transmit the said bonds to the Justices of the
Provinciall Court for their Majesties use, for which said lyesnes &
bonds such Ordinary keepers shall pay to such Respective Clerk, sixty
pounds of Tobacco and no more, and be it further enacted that the

(Commissioners)