

An Act Impowering Commissioners of the County Courts to levy and  
raise moneys to defray the necessary Charges of their Counties

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Forasmuch as in the Intervals of Assemblies in this Province there have been  
severall necessary Charges layd out and expended in the severall and Respective  
Countys of this Province by the severall and Respective Commissioners of the  
said Countys and others for the good and welfare & conservation of the peace  
of this Province of and within the said Countys and which ought to be borne  
by the severall and Respective Countys distinctly and have been former-  
ly used and accustomed to be reimbursed & defrayed paid and satisfied by  
out of the County Levies levied and assessed by the Commissioners of the said  
Respective Countys by an equall assessment upon the Estates and persons of  
the Inhabitants of the said severall and Respective Countys but the said  
Commissioners of the said County Courts not having sufficient warrant and  
Authority to raise such levies See it enacted by their most Excellent Majesty  
by and with the advice and consent of their Generall Assembly and by the autho-  
rity of the same that for the future It shall and may be lawfull to and for  
the severall and Respective Commissioners of the severall and Respective  
County Courts within this Province at the severall and Respective Courts  
to be hold for the said Countys upon Examination had before them of the  
Publick Charges of their said severall and Respective Countys and allow-  
anced by them made of the same to levy and raise Tobacco for payment &  
satisfaction of the said severall & Respective County Charges and the  
Sheriffs salaries for the collecting thereof by an equall assessment of the  
goods and Chattels of the freemen and Inhabitants of the said severall  
Countys any let Law Customs and usage heretofore had and made to the  
contrary in any wise notwithstanding; Provided always that the accounts  
of the said County Charges be kept upon Record fair written in a book by them-  
selves signed by the Clerk of the said County Court and that upon Complaint  
of any person that the said Charges are not allowable or that there is overcharge  
or otherwise a ground the said Act shall be examined and rectified  
in the Provinciaall Court of this Province

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