

their account shall conceal any taxable person or persons within or their family shall  
 for every such offence not given a true account of them to the Constable when  
 required and every person taxable so by him concealed shall forfeit and pay one  
 thousand pounds of Tobacco for such person or persons so by him or them concealed  
 and every Constable neglecting his office herein shall forfeit and pay the sum  
 of five hundred pounds of Tobacco for every offence such forfeitures and fines  
 to be levied by the Justices of the respective County Courts for the use of the  
 poor of the parish wherein such Constables and Inhabitants do dwell and reside  
 and by them to be disposed of for the use aforesaid as the said Justices shall think  
 fit and to the end that no person for the future may be ignorant what persons  
 are taxable and what not, Be it enacted by and with the advice and consent  
 aforesaid and the authority of the same that all male children born within this  
 Province and Resident in it shall be taken and accounted taxable at the age of  
 sixteen years and upwards and all male children servants Imported into this Pro-  
 vince at the age of sixteen years and upwards shall be accounted taxable and  
 all slaves whatsoever whether male or female Imported or born in this Province  
 after or about the age of sixteen years shall be accounted taxable and so rated  
 and that all freemen within this Province except Clergymen and such poor and  
 Impotent persons that receive alms from the County shall be taxable above  
 the age of sixteen years ~

An Act limiting the extent of Attachments and providing what shall  
 be levied on Attachments & Executions

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For settling the manner of proceedings on Attachments and limiting the extent  
 of them and providing what shall be levied on Attachments and Executions Be  
 it enacted by the King and Queens most Excellent Majesties by & with the advice  
 consent of their present Generall Assembly and the Authority of the same that  
 from hence forth no Attachment shall Issue out of any Court of this Province before  
 a writt or fumons be first made out upon which writt if the party Defendant be  
 an Inhabitant or Resident within this Province and the Sheriff shall returne  
 a Non Est Invention and other writt or fumons shall thereupon in manner aforesaid  
 Issue forth against the said Defendant and if the Sheriff shall upon the second  
 writt or fumons returne a Non Est Invention likewise an Attachment may  
 thereupon in manner and forme here