

**An Act for the settling of a standard in  
English weights and Measures within the  
Severall & respective Counties in this Province**

Whereas daily Experience sheweth that much fraud & deceit  
is practiced in this Province of Maryland by false Weights & Measures,  
for preventing whereof for the future **Be it Enacted** by the King  
and Queens most Excellent Majesty by and with the advice & consent  
of this present Generall Assembly and the Authority of the same That  
no Inhabitant or Trader hither shall buy or sell or otherwise make  
use of in Trading any other Weights or Measures then are used and  
made according to the Statute of Henry the Seventh King of England in  
that Case made and Provided, and for discovery of abuses of this nature,  
**Be it Enacted** That the Justices of the severall County Courts shall  
from time to time as oftencas need shall require appoint some able  
or discreet person in their County living and residing, convenient for  
the County to take care of and look after and preserve the Standard  
Weights and Measures that at present are remaining in their respec-  
-tive Counties, which persons so by the Justices appointed are hereby  
required within twelve months after the Publication of this Law  
further to provide all such Weights and Measures as are wanting -  
according to direction of a former Law of this Province, Intituled an  
Act for the providing of a Standard with English Weights & Measures  
in the severall and respective Counties within this Province, to the  
the same Standard do contain in each County twelve half p