

Forasmuch as many Inconveniencies and  
mischeifs have arisen from the large and unbounded  
Leithude taken by severall persons Inhabitants and  
others within this Province dealing and Trading with  
the Indians for Deer Elk and Bear skins and severall  
Sorts of Furrs usually and most frequently practised  
by people directed to their Majesties Interest  
and this Govern<sup>t</sup>ment thereby also encouraging to come  
down and drawing down severall forreign & unknown  
Indians amongst their Inhabitants to their great  
Damage and prejudice in killing and destroying their  
Stocks, sometimes assaulting their persons & taking  
away in most barbarous manner the lives of their  
Majesties Subjects on the frontiers of this Province  
for prevention whereof for the future. **Be it Enacted**  
by the King and Queens most Excellent Majesties and  
this present Generall Assembly and the Authority of y<sup>e</sup>  
same, That from and after the Publication hereof,  
no Person or Persons whatsoever, Inhabitant or  
others residing, Trading or coming into this Prov<sup>ce</sup>,  
do presume to Trade, Traffick, Barter or deale,  
with any forreign or other Indians whatsoever,  
for any manner of Deer Elk or Bear skins Dress  
or undress whatsoever, or for any beaver, Otter,  
Muskrat or other furrs whatsoever upon the

Accounts