

*An Act for the due Recording of all Laws of this Province in the Secretarys Office, as also transmitting the Journal of the house of Delegates into the Secretarys Office.*

**B**E IT ENACTED by the Kings most Excellent Majesty by and with the Advice and Consent of this present General Assembly and the Authority of the same, that the Secretary of this Province in whose custody the Records remain, do at or before the tenth day of March next, cause all such Laws and Acts of Assembly as shall be of force at the end of this present Sessions of Assembly to be entered upon Record in a large new Book of a large Folio and good and substantial Paper well bound, either in Leather or Parchment to be writ in a fair legible hand, as also all other Laws hereafter to be made within six Months after any Sessions of Assembly that shall hereafter happen, to be kept in the Secretarys Office only, and also cause the same to be examined by the original Acts, to which the Governour has affixed the broad Seal, and the same so entered shall be signed by the Honourable the Secretary and sealed with the lesser Seal, and that his Honour the Secretary cause a List or Catalogus of the said Laws to be entered in the said Book, and an Index or Table directing to every Act in the same, and in default thereof by the time aforesaid, shall pay as a Fine for the same the sum of ten thousand pounds of tobacco, to be recovered in his Majestys name, the one half to his Majesty for the support of Government, the other half for him or them that shall sue for the same, and when the same is written and done, the said Secretary shall at the next General Assembly be allowed and paid out of the publick Leavy so much as the said Secretary shall reasonably deserve.

And Be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that the Clerk of the House of Delegates for the time being transcribe the Journal of the said House within two Months after the Prorogation or Dissolution of any Assembly now held or to be held hereafter, upon penalty of five hundred pounds of tobacco, to be forfeited and paid to our Sovereign Lord the King one half of which Fines for the support of Government, and the other half to him or them that shall sue for the same, to be recovered in any Court of Record within this Province by Bill, Plaint or Information, wherein no Essoyn Protection or wager of Law to be allowed.

*An Act for securing Merchants and others tobacco after they have received it.*

**B**E IT ENACTED by the Kings most Excellent Majesty by and with the Advice and Consent of this present General Assembly and the Authority of the same, that from and after the publication hereof, every Housekeeper and Inhabitant within this Province having a Plantation whereon he maketh or causeth to be made any tobacco, shall build and erect, or otherwise fit up and make ready a good tight House, with a good Door Lock and Key upon every Platation where such tobacco is made as aforesaid, and sufficient to contain the tobacco made on every Plantation.

And Be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that every Inhabitant or Housekeeper aforesaid, having a Plantation whereon he maketh or causeth to be made any tobacco as aforesaid, and that shall pay away and dispose of any tobacco to any Merchant, Matter of Ship or Sailor or any other person whatsoever, shall warrant standing such disposure or payment, secure and keep the said tobacco as he would do his own proper Goods for and during the space of one whole year, commencing from the time of receiving the tobacco and no longer; and if any tobacco is received as aforesaid for the want of such house as aforesaid should be damaged or stole, the person neglecting to provide such house shall make satisfaction to the party that received the same.

Provided always that nothing in this Act contained shall be construed meant & intended to make any Inhabitant or Housekeeper liable to any damage which shall or may happen to any tobacco so left with him to keep secure through any other casualty whatsoever.