

An Act reviving a certain Act of Assembly of this Province intituled *the Sheriffs Office in this Province, and for the more easie payment of the County Levy. made at a Session of Assembly begun & held at the Port of Annapolis the day of September 1704.*

BE it Enacted by the Queens most Excellent Majesty by & with the Advice & Consent of her Majestys Governour Council and Assembly of this Province and the Authority of the same, that the abovementioned Act of directions for the Sheriffs Office in this Province, and for the more easie payment of the Publick & County Levy be & is hereby revived & continued in full force & strength from & after this present Session of Assembly for and during three years and to the End of the next Session of Assembly that shall first happen after three years.

An Act appointing Court Days in Queen Ann's County.

BE it Enacted by the Queens most Excellent Majesty by & with the Advice & Consent of her Majestys Governour Council and Assembly of this Province and the Authority of the same, that the days for holding the County Court in *Queen Ann's County* when and after the division thereof hath taken effect shall be and are hereby appointed the first *Tuesday in February April July September October & December*, and that any two Iudices of the said County Court whereof one to be of the Quorum shall have full power & authority by vertue of this Act when and as often as need shall require to adjourn the said County Court and process & proceedings therein depending to such short time after as they shall see convenient.

An Act requiring the Agents of the Lord Baltimore to certyfie into the Secretarys Office the Instructions & Conditions of Plantations with the Fees by them demanded, and obliging his Lordships Deputy Surveyors to qualyfie themselves according to Law.

BE it Enacted by the Queens most Excellent Majesty by & with the Advice & Consent of her Majestys Governour Council & Assembly of this Province and the Authority of the same, that the Lord *Baltmores* Agents for granting Lands in this Province on or before the fourteenth day of *May* next shall make certyfie and hang up in the Secretarys Office all such instructions that the said Officer or Agents of the said Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary of this Province have from his Lordship that concern the people of this Province, and all the Condition or Conditions of Plantations, that all people may see and know by what authority they are.

And that they likewise prepare a List of what Fees they require for several services by them done or to be done, which Fees shall be consider'd of by two of her Majestys Council and by two or more Iudices of the Provincial Court, which Fees the said Councillours & Iudices may lessen as they see fit and be allow'd under the hands of such Councillours & Iudices, or else it shall not be lawful for such his Lordships Officers, Ministers, Agents or Clerks to demand or receive them, but when such Fees shall be allow'd & approved on as aforesaid, and such Officers, Agents, Ministers & Clerks having made Oath of such services done, by which such Fees accrue, may have their Fees levy'd by way of Execution as other Officers & Clerks have till the next Session of Assembly, and then such Fees shall by the Assembly be allow'd or denyed, alter'd or lessen'd as the Assembly shall think fit.

And if the said Agents & Officers refuse to make hang up & publish such instructions Conditions and List of Fees as aforesaid within the time limited as aforesaid, he or they shall forfeit to her Majesty for his or their neglect & contempt the Sum of twenty pounds Sterling Money, one half to her Majesty for support of Government; the other half to him or them that will sue for the same, by Action of Debt in her Majestys Provincial Court; wherein no Essoyn Protection or Wager of Law shall be allow'd.

And be it further Enacted by the authority advice & consent aforesaid, that if any Surveyor whatsoever already appointed and commissioned, or hereafter to be appointed & commissioned by the said Lord Proprietary his Agents or any other person who may be by his said Lordship empower'd so to do, shall after the End of this present Session of Assembly presume by vertue of any Warrant from his Lordships Land Office or otherwise, to measure or survey any Lands for or belonging to any person whatsoever before such Surveyor or Surveyors shall first duly qualyfie him or themselves by taking the Oaths appointed by Act of Parliament for their Fidelity to the Crown of *England* & maintaining the Succession thereto as by Law Establish'd, and also an Oath for the faithful execution of his or their Offices, to be administered to them in the respective County Courts where they shall officiate, or by some one Iudice of the Provincial Court, such Surveyor or Surveyors shall forfeit one hundred pounds Sterling to her Majesty, the one half whereof for the Support of Government, the other half to such person who shall inform or sue for the same, to be recover'd in any Court of Record within this Province by Action of Debt Bill Plaint or Information, wherein no Essoyn Protection or Wager of Law to be allow'd. This Act to endure for and until her most Sacred Majestys Pleasure shall further be declared in Council thereon where the Lord *Baltimore* may be heard.

An Act for Relief of Thomas Manning of Calvert County.

An Act Confirming the Last Will and Testament of Thomas Knighton late of Annapolis County.

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