

laid, assessed, levied or imposed, upon the Freemen of this Province, or on their Merchandize, Goods or Chattels, without the Consent and Approbation of the Freemen of this Province, their Deputies, or the major Part of them, first had and declared in a General Assembly of this Province.

C H A P.  
XXV.

*Examined and Compared with the Record,* REVERDY GHISELIN,  
THOMAS BACON.

C H A P. XXVI. [ \*\* ]

An ACT concerning the Levying of War, within this Province.

*Lib. C and WH. fol. 119. Lib. WH. fol. 117. and Lib. WH and L. fol. 9.*

Confirmed among the perpetual Laws, by 1676, *ch. 2.*

**T**HIS Assembly humbly prays that it may be Enacted, **And be it Enacted** by the Lord Proprietary, with the Advice and Assent of the Upper and Lower House of this present Assembly, That if the Lord Proprietary, or his Heirs, or any Deputy or Deputies, Lieutenant, or other Chief Governor or Governors of this Province, shall, at any Time hereafter, make any War out of the Limits or Precincts of this Province, without the Consent and Approbation of the General Assembly of this Province first had and declared, the Freemen of this Province shall be no Way obliged or compelled, against their Consents, to aid or assist with their Persons or Estate in the Prosecution or Maintainance of such War; but are and shall be discharged of all Attendance or Supply concerning or in relation to such War; any Law, Usage or Custom, to the contrary hereof in any wise notwithstanding.

If his Lordship make War without the Province, the Freemen shall not be obliged to assist.

II. **And** do further humbly pray that it may be Enacted, **and be it Enacted** by the Authority aforesaid, That no Martial Law shall, at any Time hereafter, be exercised within this Province, but only in Time of Camp, or Garrison, and that within such Camp, or Garrison.

Martial Law not to be exercised but in Camp.

III. **And be it further Enacted** by the Authority aforesaid, That all Charges arising from Time to Time, by Defence of the Province against any Invasion of any Enemy or Enemies, or against any domestic Insurrections, or Rebelions against the public Peace of this Province, or the Government established herein, and under the Lord Proprietary, and his Heirs, Lords and Proprietaries of this Province, shall be defrayed by this Province, by an equal Assessment upon the Persons and Estates of the Inhabitants thereof; any Thing in this Act, or in any other Act, to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

In case of Invasion, Insurrection, &c. within the Province, the Public shall defray the Expence.

*Examined and Compared with the Record,* REVERDY GHISELIN,  
THOMAS BACON.

C H A P. XXVII. [ \*\* ]

An Act prohibiting the Transportation, or Sale of his Lordship's Ordnance, Ammunition, Goods, Cattle, &c. *REP. 1678, ch. 16.*

Confirmed among the perpetual Laws, by 1676, *ch. 2.* and Repealed as above.

C H A P. XXVIII. [ \*\* ]

An ACT for the speedy Payment of Debts due to the Lord Proprietary. *Lib. C and WH. fol. 120. Lib. WH. fol. 67. and Lib. WH and L. fol. 9.*

Confirmed among the perpetual Laws, by 1676, *ch. 2.*

**B**E it Enacted by the Lord Proprietary of this Province, with the Consent and Approbation of the Upper and Lower House of this Assembly, That all Debts, which either are or shall be, from Time to Time, really and truly due to his Lordship, or his Heirs, Lords and Proprietaries of this Province, shall be first paid and satisfied, within the said Province, before any other Debts whatsoever.

Debts due to his Lordship, shall be first paid.

*Examined and Compared with the Record,* REVERDY GHISELIN,  
THOMAS BACON.