

Tobacco *per Annum*, to be raised by the Governor of this Province for the time being, or by the Council, as in this Act is hereafter provided, in the Intervals of Assemblies: The Party petitioning for such Pensions and Allowances, procuring a Certificate from the County-Court where he, she, or they live, that he, she, or they, are Objects of Charity, and deserve to have such Pension and Allowance.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That if upon any Foreign Invasion any Person or Persons whatsoever (except before excepted) that shall be prest, or be an enlisted Soldier within this Province, shall, upon the Command of his Officer, being a Captain at the least, obstinately refuse to appear, and serve in Arms, for the necessary Defence of this Province; such Person or Persons so obstinately refusing to appear, and serve in Arms, as aforesaid, shall, upon Certificate thereof under such Officer's Hand, as aforesaid, to the next Justice of Peace of the County where such Party liveth, be proceeded against in Manner following; That is to say, The same Justice of Peace, to whom such Certificate, as aforesaid, shall be made, shall immediately issue out a Warrant to the Constable of the Hundred where such Party liveth, to apprehend him, and bring him before himself, or some other Justice of the Peace of the same County, there to render a sufficient Excuse, if any he hath, for such his Refusal or Non-appearance, as aforesaid; and if the Justice of Peace shall not find the Excuse of such Party, in such Case, to be reasonable and sufficient, then he shall immediately commit such Person to the Custody of the Sheriff of such County, there to remain, untill he shall find Surety to appear at the next Provincial-Court to be held for this Province, there to be proceeded against according to the due Course of Law; and if thereupon he shall be convict of such obstinate Refusal or Disobedience, as aforesaid, he shall be fined and imprisoned, according to the Directions of the Justices of the Provincial-Court.

AND for the preventing the great Charges of annual Assemblies, who may meet for no other Occasion, but to lay the Publick Levy in time of Peace; Be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Governor and Council, during the Intervals of Assemblies, for the Payment and Defraying of the small Charges of this Province, be, and are hereby impowered, to assess the same, equally to be levied upon all the Inhabitants in this Province, for Defraying the said small Charges in time of Peace, as aforesaid; any thing in this Act to the contrary notwithstanding: Provided always, and it is the true Intent and Meaning of this Act, The said Sums, for the small Charges of this Province, so to be assessed by the Governor and Council upon the Inhabitants of this Province, as aforesaid, exceed not, in any One Year, the Sum of Fifty thousand Pounds of Tobacco; and the Disbursements of the same Tobacco to be accounted for at the next General Assembly after the Raising and Disbursing the said Tobacco, as aforesaid.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all Soldiers, hereafter to be employed in any publick Service within this Province, be paid in the respective Counties where the said Soldiers live.

AND be it further Enacted, That every Captain, Lieutenant, Cornet, or Ensign, refusing or neglecting to appear at the Time and Place appointed for Training and Mustering, shall be fined, as aforesaid, for every time he or they shall refuse or neglect to appear, the Sum of Two hundred Pounds of Tobacco, to be applied to the Use of the Troop or Company where the Person so fined doth belong, as aforesaid, to be heard, adjudged, determined, and levied, by way of Execution, as aforesaid: An Account of all which Fines, the several and respective Majors of the several and respective Counties, are hereby obliged to render to the Governor and Council yearly, on Pain of forfeiting the Sum of Five hundred Pounds of Tobacco, to be applied to the Use aforesaid, and to be heard, adjudged, determined, or levied, by the Colonel or Lieutenant-Colonel,
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