

that are executed, or to such other Persons who are banished, having no Estate in this Province, or to Servants, Criminals, for whom the County shall pay such Fees, as are due by the Acts of Assembly, to the Sheriff, Goaler, Clerk, Cryer, or other Officers of such Court where such Criminal shall be convicted.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all Officers Fees, due by Law from criminal Servants, shall be paid by the County where the Fact shall be committed; and that all and every such criminal Servants, for whom the County shall pay the Fees, due by Law to such Officers, as aforesaid, shall, after the End and Expiration of their Time of Servitude to their Master or Mistress, satisfy and pay to the Commissioners of the County, who paid such Fees for them to the Sheriff, and other Officers, as aforesaid, for the Use of the County, such Sums as they have paid, as aforesaid: And the several Commissioners of the several Counties shall, and are hereby impowered, to make Inquisition after all such Servants, Criminals, for whom the County hath defrayed the said Fees to the Sheriff, and other Officers, as aforesaid; and they the said Commissioners, according to their best Discretion, shall cause to be entred Rules for the Servants to make such reasonable Satisfaction to the County, as they shall think fit, and in such Manner, as they shall find convenient.

AND for the better Security of the County which shall pay such Fees for such criminal Servants, as aforesaid; Be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Master, Mistress, or Dame, of all such Servants, be, and are hereby enjoined and required, at the Expiration of the Time of such Servant's Servitude to such Master, or Mistress, or Dame, to render and deliver up to the Sheriff of the County, for the Use of the County aforesaid, such Servants, Criminals, as aforesaid, under the Penalties to such Master, Mistress, or Dame, refusing or neglecting to deliver up such Servants, as aforesaid, of making Satisfaction to the County for all such Fees, as by the County aforesaid have been paid for such Criminal, as aforesaid; and such Sheriff, to whom criminal Servants shall be delivered, as aforesaid, is hereby required to receive and secure such Servants, Criminals, as aforesaid, so that he be and appear at the then next County-Court to be held for the said County, to be disposed of as the said Court shall consider.

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No 74. An Act for Encouragement of Tillage, and Relief of Poor Debtors.

BE it Enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of His Majesty's Governor, Council, and Assembly of this Province, and the Authority of the same, That every Person or Persons, Inhabitants of this Province, who, after the End of this Session of Assembly, shall be indebted to any Person or Persons whatsoever, Inhabitants of this Province, in any Sum or Sums of Money, or Quantity or Quantities of Tobacco, by Bill, Bond, Book-Debt, or Account, or that shall have any Judgment or Judgments given and entred against them in any Court of Record within this Province, it shall and may be lawful for such Debtor or Debtors respectively, to pay and discharge themselves from such Debts and Judgments, when they have not the Specie for which the said Judgments were given, by the several Things