

And make
due Election
and Returns.

On pain of
Fine at Dis-
cretion, not
exceeding
200 l. Ster.

Every Per-
son qualified
to Vote, must
appear at the
Election, on
pain of 100 l.
Tobacco.

Unless cause
be shewn.

Saving to
Counties, &c.
hereafter to
be Erected.

Allowance.

at such Time and Place appointed for Election, or shall make or cause to be made, any undue or illegal Election or Returns thereof, or neglect to make Returns of the Delegates so to be elected, by Indenture, before the Day of the sitting of such Assembly, pursuant to the Direction of the said Writs, shall for every such Fault be fined at the Discretion of the Lower House of Assembly, next sitting after such Election, not exceeding Two Hundred Pounds Sterling, One Half to the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, his Heirs and Successors, for the Support of Government, and the other Half to the informer, or to him or them that shall sue for the same; to be recovered in any Court of Record within this Province, that may have Jurisdiction of the same, by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint or Information, wherein no Elloyn, Protection or Wager of Law to be allowed.

And be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, by and with the Advice and Consent aforesaid, That all Free-holders, Free-Men and other Persons qualified to give Votes in the Election of Delegates, shall and are hereby obliged to be and appear at the Time and Place appointed for Elections, to be hereafter had or made, of any Delegates, Burgesses and Citizens to serve in any Assembly of this Province, under the Penalty of One Hundred Pounds of Tobacco, for every Person so qualified as aforesaid, neglecting to appear, One Half thereof to the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, his Heirs and Successors, for and towards the County Charge, and the other Half to the Informer that shall complain to any One or more Justice or Magistrates, of such Absence; which Justice or Justices, or other Magistrates, are hereby empowered to determine such Complaint, and award Execution for the said Penalty; unless such Person or Persons shall at the next County-court after such Election, shew sufficient Cause for his or their Absence, to be allowed and approved of by the Justices of the several County-courts in this Province.

Provided nevertheless, That this Act or any Thing herein contained, shall not extend to be construed to exclude any County or Counties, City or Cities, Borough or Boroughs hereafter to be erected and made within this Province, from the Liberty of such Elections of Burgesses, Delegates and Representatives, as is before expressed; but that such Writs as aforesaid, shall upon calling every General Assembly of this Province for the Future, be directed to the Sheriffs of every such County, City or Borough, when the same shall be created and made into a County, City or Borough as aforesaid, and to the Mayor, Recorder and Aldermen of every such City or Borough, commanding such Sheriff or Mayor, Recorder or Aldermen, to cause Four Free-Men of the said County, and Two Free-Men of the said City or Borough, qualified as in the aforesaid Writ is expressed, to serve as Delegates and Representatives of the same County, City or Borough, in the General Assembly next ensuing. Which said Four Delegates for every such County, and Two for the City or Borough, shall from thence forth be reputed and deemed to be Members of the Lower House of the General Assembly of this Province; any Thing in this Act in any wise to the contrary notwithstanding.

And for the ascertaining, limiting and allowing unto the several and respective Councillors, Deputies and Delegates that serve, or shall serve in the General Assembly of this Province, and of the several and respective

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