

said, in this present General Assembly cannot depart from : But for that, this present General Assembly are fully sensible how deeply they are engaged to his Lordship the Right Honourable the Proprietary, for his so generous and ready a Compliance with the most Important of our late Humble Requests, in committing the Care of all his publick and private Affairs within this Province, intirely into the Hands of well affected Protestants, to the Disappointment of others, and much to the Peace and Satisfaction of his Majesties most affectionate Subjects, It is humbly hoped his Lordship will be favourably pleased to accept of our Readiness in laying the Fines proposed on the Ordinary Licences, as a grateful Acknowledgment of his Lordship's Goodness, and the Benefits we have received by such his Lordship's Administration; and that it may be enacted,

County-
Justices to
grant Li-
cences and
how.

Recogni-
zances to pay
the Fines.

Rates of
Liquors to be
assess'd.

And pub-
lickly set up
by the Clerk.

And Ord-
inary Keepers.

On pain of
1000 l. Tob.
to Schools.

And be it Enacted, by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, by and with the Advice and Consent of his Lordship's Governour, and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and by the Authority of the same, That from and after the Publication hereof, the Justices of each County, in Court sitting, be and are hereby impowered and authorized, from Time to Time, as often as Need shall require, to grant Licences to such Person or Persons as they shall think fit to be Ordinary-Keepers and Inn-holders, for keeping Ordinaries and Houses of Entertainment, so long a Time, and in such and so many Places in their severall and respective Counties, for the Ease and Convenience of the Inhabitants, Travellers and Strangers, as to them respectively shall seem meet; for which Licences the said Persons, that shall be licenced to keep Ordinaries as aforesaid, shall at the Time of his and their taking such Licences, enter into Recognizance to his Lordship the Lord Proprietary, for the Payment of the severall and respective Sums following, (That is to say,) For every Licence to keep Ordinary in the City of Annapolis, the Sum of One Thousand Pounds of Tobacco to his Lordship, and at any other Place within this Province, the Sum of Five Hundred Pounds of Tobacco for every Year such Person shall keep Ordinary as aforesaid, to be paid as aforesaid; for which said Licence and Recognizance, the Party or Parties taking the same, shall pay to the Clerk of each respective County-court, the Sum of Thirty Pounds of Tobacco, and no more.

And be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That the Justices of the severall County-courts, be, and are hereby authorized and impowered, at their severall County-courts in the Month of August Yearly, or oftener as they shall think fit, and every Year, having summoned each respective Ordinary-Keeper within their respective Counties, then and there to set and assess the Rates and Prices of all Liquors and other Accommodations whatsoever, by them the said Ordinary-Keepers to be vendded for the Year ensuing, and so Yearly and every Year; which Rates and Prices of all Liquors so to be set and assessed, limited and appointed by the Justices aforesaid, shall be by their severall and respective Clerks transcribed, and set up at the severall and respective County-courts in some publick Places there, that every Person or Persons may peruse the same; the Copy of which Table of Prices of Liquors and Accommodations, every Ordinary-Keeper within each County, are hereby obliged to transcribe fairly, and keep the same set up in the most publick Places of their Houses, for the Perusal of all Persons that receive any Ordinary Accommodations from them, under the Penalty of One Thousand