

At a Sessions of Assembly, begun and held at the City of *Annapolis*, the Sixth Day of *October*, Anno Domini One Thousand Seven Hundred and Twenty Four, the following Laws were Enacted, viz.

*A Supplementary ACT to the Act, Entituled, An Act for the Relief of Debtors; and ascertaining the Manner of Tenders in Tobacco.*

**F**ORASMUCH as the Time limited by the said Act for tendering Tobacco, is so short, that honest Debtors intended to be relieved thereby, have not the Benefit that was intended them by the Assembly: And for that many of the Inhabitants of this Province have complained that several Sheriffs have refused good merchantable Tobacco for Publick and other Dues, and Officers Fees, with Intent to extort great Prices in Money from the Debtors, or make some other unjust Profit to themselves:

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Tenders of Tobacco made betw en the first of November, and the last of May, to be good.

Be it therefore Enacted, by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietor, by and with the Advice and Consent of His Lordship's Governour, and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Authority of the same, That all Debtors tendering Tobacco at any Time between the first Day of *November*, and the last Day of *May* Yearly, shall have the same Priviledges, Benefits and Advantages as they might have had by Virtue of the said recited Act, in case of Tenders between the first Day of *November*, and the last of *March* Yearly; any Limitation therein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided the Weight and Quality be right.

Provided always, That the Creditor shall not be obliged to receive Tobacco of less Weights, or worse Quality, than the Debtor hath contracted to pay; any thing in this Act, or the said recited Act to the contrary notwithstanding.

Tobacco to be paid to the Sheriff for Publick Dues, must be viewed.

And be it Enacted, That Tobacco to be paid to the Sheriff, in Discharge of Publick and other Dues and Fees, shall and may be viewed and examined as the said recited Act directs Tobacco to discharge other Debts to be viewed and examined; and that where any Person hath good merchantable Tobacco in Hogheads, (or in Parcels, if the Debt be but a Parcel) ready to pay the Sheriff, and tenders the same, and that notwithstanding such Tender, the Sheriff shall take the Party tendering such Tobacco, or his her Goods in Execution, without suffering such Tobacco to be viewed, or allowing a reasonable Time for such View, not to exceed Ten Days, that in all such Cases, the Sheriff shall not only have no Fees, but also be liable to an Action of false Imprisonment, or Trespals, and to pay double Damages and Cost of Suit to the Party grieved; any Law, Usage, or Custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

Sheriff refusing good Tobacco tender'd him, and executing the Party,

His penalty.