

Exported in one Chest or barrel or case four Pence Sterl and so pro rata for a greater or lesser quantity to his Lordship the Lord Proprietary in full discharge and satisfaction of his quit Rent and Dues for alienation that shall arise or grow due within this Province from and after the said Twenty ninth day of September next and that the said Duty of two Shillings Sterl & Hoggheads shall after the said Twenty ninth day of September aforesaid be paid to such Officer or Officer as his Lordship shall think fit to appoint to receive or collect the same by the Master or Masters of every such Ship or Vessel respectively in which any such Tobacco shall be export on or after the said Twenty ninth day of September next during the continuance of this Act upon his or their clearing or taking out his or their Dispatches or Dispatches from every such respective Ship or Vessel and before the Departure of such Ship or Vessel and the Master or Masters of every such Ship or Vessel coming into this Province shall at their first arrival here and before their loading on board any Goods or Commodities of the Growth Production or Manufacture of this Province give good and sufficient Security for the payment hereof as is herein before directed.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid that the Act of Assembly of Anne and this Province Entituled an Act for ascertaining the Rates and Taxe of Tobacco Hoggheads and to prevent cropping cutting and defacing Tobacco taken on board Ships or Vessels upon Freight and for laying Impositions on Tobacco for the Hogghead for the Support of Government and for the Encouraging Settlement in this Province by ascertaining the Manner of paying the Alienation Fine and quit Rents to the Lord Proprietary of this Province on the Conditions therein mentioned made at a Session of Assembly begun and held at the Port of Annapolis the Twenty eighth of April Anno Domini Seventeen hundred and Fifteen be and is hereby revived and continued in full Force until the Twenty ninth Day of September next and no longer And whereas it is considered by this present General Assembly that the levying and imposing the additional Duty of six pence per Hogghead for his Lordship in full discharge of the Quit Rents and Fines for Alienations as aforesaid will advance the whole Duty at present on Tobacco exported out of this Province to the sume of three Shillings and Nine Sterl & Hoggheads which will be so great a Burthen on the Tobacco Trade that this General Assembly thinkt their Duty and absolute necessary to ease it as farre as in them lies ... But whereas it is further enacted by the Authority Advice and Consent aforesaid that an Act of Assembly of this Province Entituled an Act laying an Imposition of three pence per Hogghead on Tobacco for Defraying the publicke Charge of this Province made at a Session of Assembly begun and held at the City of Annapolis the Twenty third Day of June Anno Domini One thousand Seven hundred and Thirteen shall after the Twenty ninth day of September next be hereby utterly repealed and made void. And be it also enacted by and with the Advice and Consent aforesaid that the publicke of this Province shall not be burthened or charged with any Salary or Pallery for collecting all or any of the said Duties and Imposts herein before mentioned to be raised save only the Duty of three pence per Hogghead on Tobacco exported by this Act appropriated for the purchasing of Arms and Ammunition for the Defence of this Province which shall and is hereby intended to be received by the severall Naval Officers of the respective ports where the same shall arise for which receiving they shall be allowed after the rate of Eight pence per Hogghead and be and are hereby obliged to account therefor with the publicke Treasurers of this Province who shall render Accts thereof to the Generall Assembly when thereto required and which Treasurers for recovering Accounting and paying the said Duties as may be directed according to the Intention of this Act shall have and receive his Pallery of two and a halfe pence and no more and the said money to be lodged in the hands of such Merchant or Merchants in London as the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly shall from time to time direct. And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid that the several and respective Clerks of the Provinciall and County Courts within this Province shall yearly and every Year during the continuance of this Act & Office make out a true

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