

PROVIDED always, that nothing in this Act shall extend or be construed to extend, to make void any such Sale, Mortgage or Gift, against such Seller, Mortgager or Donor, his Executors, Administrators or Assigns only, or any claiming under him, her or them.

Passed July 7<sup>th</sup> 1729. **ACT to encourage the Importation of Gold and Silver into the Province.**

**I**F any Person or Persons, who shall be liable to the Payment of any Duties or Impositions for any Goods or Commodities whatsoever, to be imported into the Province, by Land or Water, or exported out of the Province by Land or Water, by Virtue of any Act of Assembly made or to be made (except such Rates and Duties as are due and payable to the Lord Proprietary or to the Governor of the Province, or appropriated to the College of *Virginia*) shall pay and discharge the same Duties and Impositions for any Goods, to be imported, at the Time of entering the same, and for any Goods to be exported, at the Time of clearing, in Silver and Gold in current Money, at the Rates mentioned in an Act, intituled *an Act for settling the Rates of foreign Silver Coins*, and with the Difference of *One Hundred and Thirty Three Pounds Six Skillings and Eight Pence* current Money in Gold and Silver for every *One Hundred Pounds* Sterling payable for the foresaid Duties (except as before excepted) and so in Proportion for greater or lesser Sums. The several Officers appointed to receive such Rates, Duties and Impositions are by this Act required, to allow to such Person or Persons making such Payment, the Sum of *Fifteen Pounds* current Money out of every *Hundred Pounds* current Money, and *Fifteen Pounds* Sterling out of every *One Hundred Pounds* Sterling, and so for a greater or lesser Sum in Proportion, which such Person or Persons shall pay in Gold or Silver, and the Officers making such Allowance, shall be accountable for no more than they shall receive, after such Allowance made.

EVERY Person or Persons claiming the Deduction of *Fifteen per Cent* as above, shall before having any Advantage by this Act, take the following Oath (*Mutatis Mutandis*) before the Officers appointed to receive the same Duties, Rates and Impositions, who are by this Act empowered and directed to tender the same, viz.

**I**A. B. do swear, that the Sum of Gold and Silver, which I now pay in Discharge of the Rates, Duties and Impositions for the Goods and Commodities by me imported at this Time of Entry, was imported by me into the Province, and not purchased or procured by myself or any other Person for my Use in the Province, nor was ever carried from out of this Province by myself or any other Person for my Use, with Design of bringing it back again for the Allowance of *Fifteen per Cent* on the Duties, arising upon the Commodities by me now imported, nor that the same Gold and Silver hath been