

Discontinuance, or if a Verdict pass against him, the Defendant shall have and be allowed treble Costs, to be recovered as in case where Costs by Law are given to Defendants.

PROVIDED also, that no Person or Persons shall be sued or prosecuted for any Offence against this Act, unless such Suit or Prosecution shall be commenced within Six Months after such Offence committed.

PROVIDED always, that nothing in this Act contained shall debar or hinder any Person or Persons, or their Agents, Clerks or other Managers within the Province, to sell or dispose of any such strong or spirituous Liquors to Tradesmen, Labourers or others hired or employed by such Person or Persons, or his or their Agents, Clerks or Managers.

THIS Act is to continue for three Years, &c.

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Passed July }  
17th, 1754. } ACT for his Majesty's Service.

BY this Act *Four Thousand Pounds Eight Shillings* is ordered to be paid by the Commissioner of the Loan Office to the Governor, towards the Defence of the Colony of *Virginia* and his Majesty's Dominions, and the Relief and Support of the Wives and Children of the *Indian Allies*, that put themselves under the Protection of the Government of *Maryland*, at such times and in such Sums as the Governor shall find necessary; and that the Treasurer for the *Western Shore* pay the Governor *Nine Hundred Pounds* current Money; and the Treasurer of the *Eastern Shore* *One Thousand Ninety Nine Pounds Twelve Shillings* current Money, to the Purposes aforesaid, amounting in all to *Six Thousand Pounds* current Money. For replacing which Sum, it is enacted, that all and every Hawker, Pedlar or Petty Chapman, travelling on Foot or Horse-Back, or otherwise carrying Goods and Merchandize from place to place, or to the Dwelling-Houses of the good People of this Province, or to Fairs and Markets within the same, shall before they trade, barter or sell any such Goods or Merchandize, take out Licence from some County Clerk within the Province for the Time being; and every County Clerk by this Act, upon Application of any such Hawker, Pedlar or Petty Chapman, is directed and obliged to make out Licence for them, in the following Words, viz.

LICENCE is hereby granted unto A. B. to travel and trade as a Hawker, Pedlar and Petty Chapman within the Province, for the Space of One Year, to commence from the Date hereof, he behaving himself well. Given under my Hand and Seal of Office at— in — County this — Day of — 175 —