

of the Sheriffs & other officers, for their own ease & benefit to repair to the Churches and other places of publick meeting upon the Lord's day commonly called Sunday; as also unto the usuall places of mustering and Training for military affaires, on purpose to serve warrants and Executions and other writts. By which meanes men in danger of Arrests have been detoured from the service of God and the Lord Prop<sup>r</sup> of this Province.

Be it therefore Enacted by y<sup>e</sup> Lord Prop<sup>r</sup> by & with the Consent of y<sup>e</sup> upper & lower houses of this gen<sup>l</sup> Assembly that no Sheriffe, or his Officer shall from henceforth execute any Writt or Warrant upon any person or persons whatsoever within this Province, either upon y<sup>e</sup> Sabbath day or upon any Training, Mustering daies for military Contentment or Election of Burgesses: Provided alwaies that it shall and may be Lawfull for the Sheriffe or any other Officer to apprehend & Carry to prison any person or persons for Riotts, & Hollony or Suspition of Collony, or for escapes out of prison, when under Execution upon any day, at any place any thing in this Act to y<sup>e</sup> contrary notwithstanding. & Provided alsoe that it may be lawfull for any Sheriffe to arrest any person or persons, at a mustering day that is not bound to attend that muster, there to exercise and traine. And this Act to continue for three yeares, or to the end of the next gen<sup>l</sup> Assembly.

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An act for <sup>the</sup> amendments in the Prov<sup>all</sup> & County Courts.  
Whereas many suites are raised upon frivolous occasions