

in this Province and for Satisfaction of their Debts have
paid away and delivered to their severall Creditors for all
quantities and kinds of Tobacco and such kind or kinds of
Tobacco have been received marked and nailed by such
Merchants and others trading into or residing within this
Province as aforesaid and thereupon the said Creditors have
delivered up unto the said Debtors their Bills or other
Specialties given for Security of the said Debt or Debts -
the said Debtors have procured release and discharge for
the said Debt yet notwithstanding afterwards the Sheriff
of such County upon pretence of publick Debt due from y^e
said persons Debtors have seized the said Creditors Tobacco
so received marked and nailed as aforesaid and lying in the
said Debtors Tobacco Houses and by that means the said
Creditors are left without remedy for recovery of their
Debt againe to the great discouragement of Trade and the
prejudice of such Creditors for prevention whereof for
the future the Delegates of this present Generall Assembly
do pray that it may be enacted, and **Be it Enacted**
By the King most Excellent Majesty of Great Brittain
and Content of this present Generall Assembly and the
Authority of the same That any person or persons
whosoever Merchants or others within this Province
that have at any time within Twelve months last
past received marked or nailed or for the future
shall receive mark or nails any kind or kinds of Tobacco
within this Province of any person or persons Debtors
within the same and which shall have been paid & delivered