

An Act for securing persons rights to Town Lands

Whereas it is reported to the Generall Assembly that severall persons of
this province and others that have taken up Lots in severall Town Lands paid out
and surveyed for Towns according to the Direction of severall Lawes of this province
(that is to say) One Law made at a Generall Assembly hold at the Judges in Cam-
-bridge County the second day of October One thousand six hundred eighty
three intituled an Act for advancement of Trade and the other Act made at
a Generall Assembly hold at the City of Saint Marys the first day of April
Sixteen hundred eighty four intituled an Additionall and Supplementary
Act to the Act for advancement of Trade and the other Act made at a
Generall Assembly hold at the City of Saint Marys the twenty seventh day
of October One thousand six hundred eighty six intituled a further
Additionall Act to the Act for advancement of Trade and the Supple-
-mentary Act of the same and one other Act made at a Session of Assembly
begun and hold at the City of Saint Marys the twenty first day of September
Anno Domini Sixteen hundred ninety four intituled an Act for Erecting Ann-
-uall and Oxford Towns into ports and Towns as by the severall Acts of
Assembly remaining upon Record in the Secretarys Office of this province
may appear. And notwithstanding the severall persons who relying and
depending upon the benefits and priviledges in the said Lawes granted
have taken up Lots in the said Towns entered them and paid for them
or were ready to pay for them as the Law directed and have built and improved
thereon yett they are now harassed disquieted and disturbed by the persons
claiming rights to the said Lands upon pretence that because that the
said Acts are since repealed the Titles of such taken up Builders and Im-
-provers are destroyed and dye with the said Acts of Trade contrary to the true
Sense and rationall Construction of the same Lawes or any other of like nature
To prevent therefore and take off all such unnecessary doubts and scruples thereof

It is Enacted by the Queens most excellent Majesty by and with the
advice and Consent of her Majestys Governour Councill and Assembly of this province
and the Authority of the same that all and every person or persons that during
the continuance of the before mentioned Acts of Assembly did take up pay for
(a hundred)