

161 *Assessors* and no more (besides their *Imperial Charges*) to be paid out of the publick Levy of this province and the severall Counties of the provincial Courts for the defraying their *Charges* and *Expenses* in such <sup>sums</sup> as they shall attend such Courts the sum of one hundred and forty pounds Tobacco per day and no more (besides their *Imperial Charges*) to be paid out of the publick Levy of this province as aforesaid and the severall Counties the County Courts shall be allowed for the defraying of their *Expenses* during the time they shall attend such Courts as aforesaid the sum of eighty pounds of Tobacco per day and no more which sum of eighty pounds of Tobacco as aforesaid of the County Courts are hereby *Improv'd* to assess and Levy where such *Commissions* shall be as aforesaid for the defraying the *Expenses* aforesaid and no more.

Provided always and it is the true Intent and Meaning of this Act that where any Justice of any County Court being a full Court or above the sum of seven shall agree together in Court sitting and consent to give any allowance hereby given or if it be to take the same totally or if shall and may be lawful to such full Court to give and take of any part of the allowance hereby given and settled to the Commissioners of the said County Courts and entering such Rule in the Record shall for that year be an absolute Law and rule for every Justice of that County Court as to their *Expenses* and it shall not be lawful to collect or receive any more tobacco for defraying the County Courts Justices *Expenses* than for as by such Consent and rule shall be limited and agreed on as aforesaid and if they see fit to make the same rule or such other as they shall agree on as aforesaid in every year any thing to the contrary notwithstanding.

September 21 1704  
 Read and assented to by the House of Delegates. *Wayland* Clerk

September 21 1704.  
 Read and assented to by the Hon<sup>ble</sup> Council *William* Clerk

Maryland October 3<sup>d</sup> 1704  
 On the behalf of her Majesty the King this be a Law

*Great Seal*

*Jo: Seymour*

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