

This Law Made in the Parliament of Great Brittain the 15th of Charles the first
This is become obsolete

All the Restraint of Inhabitants of this Province from Selling any ^{quantities of} Strong Liquors to the Indians and to prevent spreading false Rumors -
instigating differences betwixt them & their Majesties Subjects of this Province -

Whereas it is Represented to this Generall Assembly that of late severall Disorders and Riots have been Committed by sundry Indians, In Order to prevent such like future Unseasonable Outrages
It is Enacted by the Queens most Excellent Majesty by and with the Advice and Consent of her Majesties privie Councill and Assembly of this Province and the Authority of the same That if any person or persons whatsoever from and after the first Day of December next ensuing shall by himselfe or Servant or otherwise directly or Indirectly vend or sell to any Indian or Indians in any parts of One day above One Gallon of Rum Wine Brandy or spirits or above five Gallons of Soder Perry Quire Drinke or strong Beer such person or persons being convicted thereof shall forfeite the sume of Three Thousand poundes of Tobacco to our Sovereign Lady the Queen her Heires or Successors the One halfe thereof to be Assigned towards the Defraying the County Charge the other halfe to him or them that shall Inform or sue for the same to be recovered in any County Court within this Province by Action of Debt Bill plaint or Information wherein use of any ~~procurator~~ or wages of Law to be Allowed

And whereas it is very Observeable and manifest that sundry ill disposed persons have oftentimes by spreading Lies and false Reports raised and fomented unaccountable heats and Jealousies between the Indians and her Majesties Subjects of this Province for the Breach of the said Act relating to the sale

It is Enacted by the Authority Advice and Consent aforesaid That if any person or persons whatsoever shall wilfully or unwittingly raise spread and utter any false feigned stories or Reports whatsoever tending to the disquiet of the Indians or making feuds between them and her Majesties Subjects of this Province or shall Endeavour by any sinister or unarrantable means whatsoever to raise or create any misunderstanding or difference between her Majesties Subjects and the said Indians every such person or persons - Convict of any such Offence or Offences shall forfeite unto our Sovereign Lady the Queen her Heires or Successors five hundred poundes of Tobacco the One halfe thereof to her Majesty for defraying the County Charge and the other halfe to him or them that shall Inform or sue for the same in any Court within this Province to be recovered as aforesaid

And it is Decreed that this Act or any thing therein contained shall not be Construed to Extent to the Undersaunce of any person or persons whatsoever from relating or giving any Information to any