thirty Inches Diameter on the head to this present Gauge a Larger Quantity of Tobacco will be Exported in Each hoggshead whereby the Severall duty's and Impost on Tobacco will be Evidently retrenched and Lessned unless a Just regard be had to the preservation of them in their Value and Value which this present Genll Assembly is highly Obliged to Hold as they being Generally applyed to the Support of Government and for other the most Important affairs of this province And therefore tis not only Just but Necessary that the duties upon the hoggshead Which shall be of the Gauge thereon directed should be proportionably Inlarged to the Inlargement of the hoggshead Proportionably Alleged Be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid That from and after the End of this present Session of Assembly there shall be Levyed Collected and Raised to the Right honourable the Lord Proprietarie his heirs and successors for Every hoggshead of tobacco which shall be shipt in any Ship or Boate to be Exported out of this province or any of the Territories Islands Ports Rivers thereunto belonging after the End of this present Session of Assembly the Summe of fifteen pence Sterl in Lieu and Stead of the twelve pence Sterl hoggshead formerly Imposed on Every hoggshead of the aforementioned former Gauge and for Every hundred Weight of tobacco Exported in box Chest Barrell or Case two pence halfe penny Sterl and so prorato for a greater or Lesser Quantity

Provided allways that the mony that shall be raised by the said duty shall be Applyed to those Ends and uses for which it hath hitherto been raised Vizt twelve pence of the aforesaid fifteen pence hoggshead to the Lord Proprietor for the support of Governmt and the remaining three pence of the said fifteen pence hoggshead for the purchasing Guns and Ammunition for the maintaining a Magazine for the better defence of this province and for the due preservation thereof to be Collected by the proper officer and paid to the Treasurer or treasurers of this province for the time being to be disposed of to such uses as the Governour and Councill for the time being shall direct

Provided Nevertheless that in the absence of my Lord Proprietarie himself out of this province one third part of the said fifteen pence be applyed towards the maintaining the State and Dignity of his said Lordship Lieutenant Governour actually Inhabiting and residing within this province and to such other Necessary uses towards the Support and Defence of my Lord proprietarys Government of this province as in his Lordships Wisdom shall seem meet And in Case of the death or removall of such Lieut Governour from his Government the one half of the said Twelve pence applyed to the Support of Government as also that half

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