

Proem: Yearly at which time again to call and convene the whole Assembly for that Occasion only Considering the Great Number of them and the Remoteness of their Habitations from the place appointed would be very chargeable and Troublesome to the whole Province in General for Prevention whereof

Be it Enacted by the R: Hon: the Lord Proprietor and with the Advice and Consent of his Lordship's Governour and the upper and lower houses of this present General Assembly and by Authority of the same that y: Hon: ^{to} Holland, Col: Samuel Young, Col: Thomas Addison & Col: Richard Tilghman of his Majesty's Hon: upper house of Assembly, and the Hon: Col: Matthew Tilghman Ward Cap: Thomas Freeman Greenfield Col: Nathan Hyson Cap: Daniel Marante Col: John Maitland Col: James Maypole Cap: Thomas M: Samuel Hopkins Cap: Tobias Pollard Cap: James Grisby M: Robert Tyler and M: Charles Wright of the Hon: the lower house of Assembly for the Major part of them be and appear at the City of Annapolis on the first Tuesday in October next then and there to lay & assess the said publick Levy already ^{raised} and also to allow Levy & assess what further Charge may accrue, which to them shall justly appear to be due from the Publick not Exceeding One hundred and fifty thousand pounds of Tobacco & six hundred pounds Sterling or the value thereof in Curr: money more then what is already raised and likewise to Apportion Order and pay out of the Publick Treasury of this province the Sum of Eighty thousand and two Pence Curr: money of this Province, to the severall persons to whom the same shall be due as by the Journall of the Committee of Accounts appears and a fair Journall of all their Proceedings to be Delivered to y: Clerk of Assembly for Satisfaction of all persons therewith concerned by the tenth day of Nov: next, and if it shall happen that his Excellency shall please to convene an Assembly before the said first Tuesday in October afo: then this present Act and every Cause therein contained shall be void and of no force

May the 17th 1718 Read and Assented to by the Lower house of Assembly and Signed p: Order M: S: Miserifor C: S: ho: May 1718 Read and Assented to by the upper house of Assembly & Signed p: Order John Beard C: S: ho: May the 10th 1718 On the Behalf of the Right Hon: the Lord Proprietary of this province I Will this be a Law

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