

600 Courts and Magistrates may proceed to hear and determine the same to Judgment Award Execution and on all former judgments rendered as if as fully and Ample as heretofore they might have done the repeal of the said Acts to the contrary notwithstanding

October the 16th 1723

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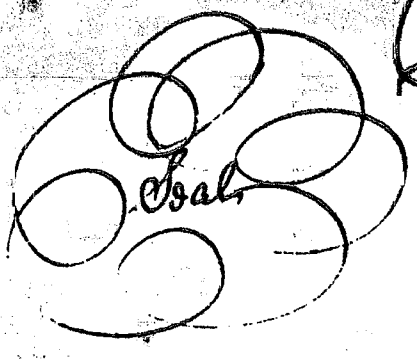
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On behalf of the R. Honble the Lord Proprietary of this Province
I will this be a Law

Read and Approved to by the upper house of Assembly & Signed of Order
Samuel Skippou Esq

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Act Declaring the manner of the recovery of Fines for not appearing at the clearing of the high ways -

Examined

Whereas by an Act of Assembly made at the Town and Port of Annapolis the fifth Day of September Anno Domini Seventeen hundred and Four Intituled an Act for marking the high ways & there is a fine of hundred pounds of Tobacco to be levied upon all capable male persons that shall neglect to attend at the clearing and mending the high ways when duly warned by the Overseers thereof the which fines have proved a greater burthen to the People than was Designed by that Act by means of the chargeable way of recovery thereof in the County Courts for remedy whereof it enacted by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietor by and with the Advice and Consent of his Lordships Governor and the upper and lower houses of Assembly and the Authority of the same that from and after the End of this present Session of Assembly no Person within this Province shall by Virtue of the aforesaid Act be prosecuted in any County Court for their not appearing when warned to clear the high ways any thing contained therein to the contrary notwithstanding but in all such Cases any one Justice of the County Courts to whom Complaint shall be made as hereby fully Authorized and Impowered upon Complaint made to him Against any person for not appearing or Owners of Servants for not holding their Servants on the high ways when duly warned to give his warrant to the Constable to bring such persons or Owners of Servants before him and to Summons witnesses as need shall require and upon Appearance before him fully to hear and determine all such Cases and as he shall see just and reasonable cause either to Acquit & Discharge such persons or find them according to the Direction of the aforesaid Act of Assembly to the Mass therein mentioned and to be levied in manner as thereby is Directed and every Justice of the Peace regarding such fines Against any person as aforesaid as hereby required to keep a fair Account of all such fines And to return a true List thereof to the Justice of the County Courts yearly at the time of laying the County Levies of which Account the said County Courts shall cause their Clerks to give a fair Copy to the Sheriff of the County in Order to Collect such fines and for Writs and on refusal of payment thereof the Sheriff is hereby Impowered to dovy the same by way of Execution in the same Manner as the publick County Levies of this Province have usually been levied and Collected And render an Account

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