

At a Session of Assembly begun and hold at the City of Annapolis in the County of Anne Arundell for the Province of Maryland On Tuesday the sixth day of October in the ninth year of the Dominion of the Right Honourable Charles Absolute Lord and Proprietor of the Province of Maryland and Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore & Anno Domini 1721

His Honour Charles Calvert Esq. being Governour were enacted the following Laws viz

An Act to Prohibit the Exportation of Indian Corn for the Time therein limited So suspend the Execution of an Act entitled an Act prohibiting the Importation of Bread Broom Corn Small wheat or Other Indian or English Grain or Meal Horses Mares Colts or Fillies from the Province and the Territories therunto belonging

Whereas it is Apparent to this Assembly that there is so great a Scarcity of Indian Corn in most Parts of the Country that unless the Exportation thereof be Prohibited for some time the People are in great Danger of being reduced to the Miserable Circumstance of wanting Bread for Provision whereof Be it enacted by the Right Honourable the said Proprietor by and with the Advice and Consent of his Lordships Governour and the Upper and lower houses of Assembly and the Authority of the said Acts that no Indian Corn shall be Exported or Carried out of this Province by Land or Water after the last Day of this Instant October until the last Day of October which shall be in the Year One thousand Seven hundred and twenty five upon the Pains and Penalties hereafter mentioned (that is to say) that the Master of any Ship or Vessel or any Other person that shall load or take on Board of any Ship or Other Vessel with design to Export the same or Export or Cause to be Exported any Indian Corn out of the Province by Land or Water within the time aforesaid shall forfeit for every Bushell the Sum of eight shillings One half thereof to the Use and Support of Schools in the Counties where the Offence shall be Committed the Other half to the Informer or him that will sue for the same to be recovered by Action of Debt Bill Plaintiff or Information wherein no Escoyn Protection or Wager of Law shall be Allowed And Be it enacted that if any Person or Persons after the said last Day of this Instant October until the last day of October One thousand Seven hundred twenty and five aforesaid shall presume to Carry or Convey by Land or Water any Indian Corn on Board of any Vessel or to any Place in Order to be transported out of this Province that the Owners of such Corn shall forfeit the same together with every Sloop Shallop Boat or Other Small Vessel on board of which such Indian Corn shall be Laden and all Horses Oxen or Other Draught Beasts and Carts and Other Carriages that shall be used in the Carriage of such Indian Corn on board of any