

Be it Enacted, by the Authority, Advice, and Consent aforesaid, That all and every Person or Persons, in whose Custody any Negroe or Negroes so imported into this Province shall be found, shall be deemed to be the Importer or Importers, and liable to pay the Duties due by Law, to the Naval Officer of the District where the said Person or Persons reside, under the Penalties by former Acts of Assembly in such Cases inflicted upon the Importer or Importers of any Negroe or Negroes, concealed, kept back, or unaccounted for, by him, her, or them: To be recovered in the Manner, and to the Uses, directed by the aforesaid Acts of Assembly.

AND for the more effectual discovering what Rum, Wine, and Spirits, by the before-mentioned Act liable to the Payment, of Duty, shall be brought into this Province:

Be it Enacted, by the Authority, Advice, and Consent aforesaid, That after the End of this Session of Assembly, every Naval Officer within this Province, before he shall make Entry of any such Rum, Wine, or Spirits, shall require and receive, from the Person applying to make the said Entry, an Invoice on Oath, of the Quantity of Gallons, which the Cask, by him at that Time imported, gage in Wine Gallons, together with the Marks and Numbers of such Cask. And if any such Person shall presume to land any such Rum, Wine, or Spirits, from on board any Ship or Vessel within this Province; or if it be brought over Land from *Pennsylvania* or *Virginia*, shall let it be Water-born in *Chesapeak-Bay*, or any the Branches thereof, before Invoice delivered, and Entry made, as aforesaid, shall forfeit the same, or the Value of it: The one Moiety thereof to the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, his Heirs and Successors, for the Support of Government; and the other Moiety to him or them that will seize or sue for the same: To be recovered in any Court of Record within this Province, by Action of Debt, Bill, Complaint, or Information; wherein no Effoin, Protection, or Wager of Law, shall be allowed.

THIS Act to continue in Force, for and during the Term of Three Years, and to the End of the next Session of Assembly which shall happen after the Expiration of Three Years.

An Act for Naturalization.

FOR the easier and speedier Investing Aliens or Foreigners with all the Rights and Privileges of any His Majesty's Natural free-born Subjects within this Province: *Be it Enacted, by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, by and with the Advice and Consent of His Majesty's Governour, and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Authority of the same,* That it shall and may be lawful for the Governour, or Commander in Chief, of this Province, for the Time being, by a Publick Instrument, under the Broad Seal thereof, to declare any Alien or Aliens, Foreigner or Foreigners, his, her, or their Child or Children, (Negroes and other Slaves excepted) being already settled, or Inhabitants of this Province, or such as shall hereafter come to settle, reside, or plant in it, and having taken the Oaths to the Government, appointed to be taken by Act of Assembly of this Province, and subscribing the Abjuration and Test, according