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the three Bridges Branch in *Queen Anne's* County, and running from thence with a strait Line to a small Bridge in the Road from *Old Wye* Mill to *Tuckahoe* Bridge, near the Northeast Corner of *Ferdinando Callaghan's* Plantation, thence with the said Road to *Tuckahoe* Bridge, thence down the East Side of *Tuckahoe* Creek binding therewith to *Choptank* River, and then binding therewith to the Division Line between *St. Paul's* and *St. Luke's* Parishes, and then with the several Lines and Bounds of *St. Paul's* Parish aforesaid to the Head of the three Bridges Branch aforesaid, shall be taken from *St. Paul's* Parish aforesaid and erected into a new Parish, by the Name of *St. John's* Parish, and shall, from and after the Time aforesaid, be deemed, reputed, adjudged and taken for *St. John's* Parish, and not as Part or Parcel of *St. Paul's* Parish aforesaid, and that the Lines and Courses aforesaid shall always be deemed, taken and reputed to be the undoubted Bounds and Lines to divide the Parishes aforesaid; and that the Inhabitants of *St. John's* Parish aforesaid shall have and enjoy all such Benefits, Privileges, Powers and Authorities in every Respect as the Inhabitants of any other Parish within this Province now have or hereafter may have or enjoy.

Vestrymen
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chose.

And be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Freeholders of the last mentioned Parish, at a certain Day to be by them appointed, shall have full and ample Power to elect and make choice of Six select Vestrymen, and two Church-Wardens, and the same to alter and renew at such Times and in such Manner as the Laws of this Province do direct in other Parishes. And that the said Vestrymen and Church-Wardens shall be vested with the same Powers, Privileges and Authorities as Vestrymen and Church-Wardens of other Parishes within this Province are vested with.

Continuation
of the present
Incumbent.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority, Advice and Consent aforesaid, That it shall and may be lawful for the Reverend Mr. *James Cox*, the present Incumbent of *St. Paul's* Parish aforesaid, to continue to officiate and serve as Incumbent in both the said Parishes so divided as aforesaid, and to receive the Incomes and Profits thereof during his natural Life, or so long as he shall continue Incumbent of *St. Paul's* Parish aforesaid, or until he shall find Cause voluntarily to quit one or other of the said Divisions, as if this Law had never been made: Any Law, Statute, Usage or Custom, or any thing herein before contained, to the Contrary notwithstanding.

An Act for taking off Part of *Prince George's* County, and adding it to *Charles* County.

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is represented to this present General Assembly by sundry Freeholders in the lower Part of *Prince George's* County, that they labour under many Inconveniencies by their being obliged to attend *Prince George's* County Court, at so great a Distance from their respective Habitations; and it appearing to this General Assembly that such Hardships would be removed were they separated from *Prince George's* County, and made a Part of *Charles* County, and that *Prince George's* County, after such Separation, will not only be more Compact than it is at present, but would still retain a sufficient Number of Taxables therein to defray the necessary Charges thereof, it is therefore humbly prayed that it may be Enacted,

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