

Warehouses, a good and sufficient Beam, Weights, and Scales, to weigh Fifteen Hundred Gross Pounds at the least, and a Set of small Weights, the same that are or ought to be provided for the Standard Weights of each County; and the said Justices are hereby required and obliged to keep the same in good Repair, together with the Blocks, Tackles, and other Necessaries.

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to weigh 15 Cwt. and small ones.

LII. And be it further Enacted, That the Justices are hereby directed and required, some Time in the Month of *March*, in every Year, to appoint Two or more of their Number, to view the said Scales, and examine and try the Weights, at the several Warehouses, by the Standard Weights of the County; and if the same or the other Necessaries hereby required, shall want repairing, or the Weights be found deficient or differing from the lawful Standard, the said Justices shall cause the same to be repaired and amended, and the Weights made conformable to the Standard; and the Charge of repairing and amending as aforesaid shall be paid by the Inspectors respectively, and be again allowed them in their Account with the said Justices.

Weights and Scales to be examined every Year.

LIII. And be it further Enacted, That the Warehouse or Warehouses, Wharfs, Prizes, and Cranes, already built, and continued by this Act to be Warehouses for the Inspection of Tobacco, the Owners or Proprietors thereof are hereby obliged to Let the same to the Inspector or Inspectors, as the Case shall be, under the Penalty of Thirty Two Thousand Pounds of Tobacco; and in that Case, the Rent of Six Pounds of Tobacco per Hoghead as aforesaid, shall be paid to such Owners or Proprietors of such Warehouses respectively, by the several Inspectors; and the Residue of the Fifty Six Pounds of Tobacco per Hoghead, and the Twenty Eight Pounds of Tobacco on the Eastern Shore, and the Twenty Four Pounds of Tobacco on the Western Shore, per Hoghead, mentioned in this Act, shall be applied to pay and defray the Charge of the Inspectors Salaries and other Expences, such as, finding Weights and Scales and other Necessaries, mentioned in this Act, and the keeping them in Repair, according to the true Intent and Meaning of this Act, and that for all Matters relating to the Expence of putting this Act in Execution, and the Profits to be raised thereby, the several Inspectors shall annually lay before the respective Justices, fair and distinct Accounts of the Profits and Loss, relating to their respective Offices, on Oath, or Affirmation if a Quaker; and the Justices aforesaid shall settle and adjust such Accounts, and that if the Profits of said Warehouses, shall over and above bear the Expences of this Act, that then the Overplus shall be applied to defray the Charge of the County.

Warehouses already built to be rented by the Owners under Penalty of 32000^{lb} of Tobacco.

Inspectors to Account annually, on Oath.

LIII. Provided always, That nothing herein contained, shall be construed to give Power to the Owner or Proprietor of any Warehouse or Warehouses, on any Pretence whatsoever, to make any private Use thereof whatsoever, whilst the same shall be under Rent to the Public, under the Penalty of One Thousand Pounds of Tobacco; nor to the said Inspectors to keep any Horses, Cattle, or Hogs, at any the public Warehouses (except in Inclosures) upon the Land appointed for such Warehouses, and if any Swine belonging to the said Inspectors, or any of them, shall be found at large upon the Land appointed for such Warehouses, or the Lands adjoining thereto, it shall and may be lawful for the Proprietor of the Land on which the said Warehouses are placed, to kill, or cause them to be killed, or destroyed.

No private use to be made of the Warehouses, or Lands.

LIV. And be it Enacted, That if any of the Warehouses herein before mentioned, shall happen to be burnt, the Loss of Tobacco sustained thereby, shall be made good and repaired to the several Persons injured, by an Allowance in the public Levy, at the next Sessions after such Loss; and in Case of such Accident, no Inspector or Inspectors shall be sued, or molested, for or by reason of any Promissary Notes, or Receipts, by them given for any Tobacco

Warehouses happening to be burnt, the Tobacco how paid for.