

II. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the treasurer of the western shore be authorized and required to receive from the said Thomas Beall, in payment of his bond, the bills of credit emitted by congress, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

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Bond may be
paid in conti-
nental bills,
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A Supplement to the act to raise the supplies for the year se-
venteen hundred and eighty-one. *C. 25*

WHEREAS, by the act to raise the supplies for the year
seventeen hundred and eighty-one, in order to ascertain the
value at which bills of credit shall be received in discharge
of the rate imposed by the said act, the commissioners of the tax in
each county are, once in every month, to adjudge and fix the value of
the new continental bills of credit, issued under acts of assembly of this
state, compared with Spanish dollars at seven shillings and six-pence
each, and from time to time are to give notice thereof to the collector
of the tax in their county, who shall in the month following receive
the bills aforesaid, or any of them, which may be payable by that act,
at such ascertained value accordingly: And whereas, from avaricious
and detestable practices, gold and silver is frequently exchanged, or
pretended to be exchanged, at a great over value for bills of credit,
which now, in the generality of articles, purchase for eighty dollars
what might and may be purchased for a Spanish dollar, and it will be
very unjust that, whilst part of the subjects of this state pay their taxes
in specific articles at the rates allowed by the said act, others must pay
them in bills of credit at the pretended value they do or may pass for
in exchange for gold or silver.

Preamble.

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II. It is therefore enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,
and it is hereby declared, That as to the purpose of paying the taxes im-
posed by the said act, the new bills of credit emitted by this state, and
the new continental bills of credit emitted in this state, are now of one
half the value of Spanish milled dollars; and the said new bills of cre-
dit shall be received, if tendered, at that rate, at any time before the
first day of April next, by persons entitled to pay in money, for the
part of the tax payable the tenth day of April next, or the whole year's
tax to be paid under the said act; but in case the said new bills of cre-
dit shall rise to greater value, the said commissioners may and shall, if
the said bills of credit appreciate, ascertain the value thereof, by the
rule laid down by the said act as to payments to be made after the said
tenth day of April next.

Value of bills,
ascertained,
&c.

III. And be it enacted, That the governor and council are hereby
empowered to displace the commissary of either shore, or any county
commissary, appointed by the said recited act, in their discretion, and
may appoint another in his stead; and if any of the said commissaries
shall have been or shall be concerned in the purchase of quantities of
flour, wheat, or other provisions, for sale, whilst he hath been em-
ployed either under the said act, or otherwise, in the purchase or trans-
portation of provision for the army, the governor and council are re-
quested to displace such commissary.

Governor and
council may
displace com-
missaries, &c.

C H A P.