

(if you think it necessary) send two of the Gentlemen of that Board to joine with the
said Committee. —

Signed G. Order Hen: Denton G. Assembly —

Answer sent by Ed Hutchins as follows viz: —

By his Excellency the Governor and Council in Assembly
May the 24th 1692

By reason of the absence of some of the Members of this Board upon urgent
Occasions permitted to go home, they cannot spare any more to join in Committee with
those of the house appointed to inspect the Publick accounts without breaking their
Quorum, the house therefore is desired to suspend the proceedings of the said Committee
till to morrow by which time, it is hoped the absent Members of this Board may return.

Signed G. Order John Lovellin G.

Ordered to be read the severall Bills delivered the Clerk last Night viz:
The Act for Encouragement of the Importation of Negroes and Slaves into this
Province first time read

The Act for Encouragement of Such Persons as will undertake to Build Water Mills
first time read. —

The Act providing what shall be good Evidence to prove foreign Bills first time read —

The Act for Publication of the Laws within this Province first time read —

Ordered next to read the severall Bills this Day brought by Mr. Wynn and Major
Campbell and accordingly was read as follows viz:

An Act for more speedy bringing to Justice and suppressing Criminals G. 3. time

An Act against Licentious of false News first time

An Act for Naturalization of John Anderson & Mathias Vanderheyden first time

(Remark) Recommended to the house the renewing or passing of a New Act for
the Naturalization of all those Persons gratis that formerly in Governour Molleys time
were Naturalized and paid all the Charges thereof, but afterwards those very Bills were
unadvisedly (amongst others then passed) by his Lordship Denied and declared Null &
Void —

An Act for payment of fees due from Criminal persons first time read to be Considered

An Act for killing of Witches first time

An Act concerning those Servants that have Bastards 1. time (Remark) It seems
more proper to Oblige the Father to save the County harmless, than impose Marriage

An Act concerning what shall be allowed grand Jurys G. first time (Remark) the
Allowance to be payed in the respective Counties as expressed in the Bills, but to be
made good to the Sheriff of St. Maries County and he Obliged to take care for their Quor-
ations and be accountable to them for the same. —

An Act for staying of Executions after April Court first time. —

An Act Prohibiting Masters of Ships to Transport any without passes, first time

Brought from the house by Mr. Cook and Mr. Torrey the following Bill:

An Act for the publication of Marriages May 24th 1692 Read first time —

An Act for the Constables taking the List of the Taxables May 25th 1692 first time

An Act for Lament of the Inhabitants of this Province in Suits at Law first