

Acte made at a Generall Assembly held
at St. Johns in St. Marys County begin-
ning the twentieth 1661

An acte Impowering the Governour and Councill
to Rayse forces and maintayne a warre without
the Province and to ayde the Sasquahan-
nough Indians

Whereas it doth appere to this present Generall Assembly
that this Province is in eminent danger by a warre be-
gyn in itt by some foreigne Indians as it hath been made
appere by credible information given of a person lately
kild and of others that are probably put off by these foreigne
Indians And that in humane probability our Neighbour
Indians the Sasquahanoughs are a Bulwark and Sen-
tury of the Northward parts of this Province And that
by former treaties with that nation they have very mu-
ch assured us of their affection and friendship And that
to preserve the life from us And by their ancient treaty
it was agreed Assistants should be granted to dwell
in tyne of danger And upon their good will satis-
faction to us to that purpose And hath been prom-
ised them accordingly And Enacted and be it enacted
that the said Governor and Councill by and with
the advice and consent of the assayers and sents her
of this present Generall Assembly that the Govern-
our with the advice and consent of the Councill have pow-
er to levy and raise by purchase or otherwise fifty
able men with Amunition and Provision and all things
necessary for them to be sent to the Sasquahanough
Indians for the end aforesaid And the proportion of the
said souldiers to be raised out of the severall counties
as followeth to wit out of the County of St. Marys
seaven out of Calvert County fiftie and out of Charles
County seaven out of Anne Arundell seaven out