

The Committee of Accounts enters the House and delivers Mr Speaker their Journal which is Order'd to be Read and being debated and Consider'd

Order'd they Return again to their Committee and take the charge to the Secretary and others for Copy of the Laws and Journals &c. it being the opinion of the House the Secretary by Virtue of his Instructions from the Lords Com^{rs} of Trade and Plantations ought to do the same Ex Officio, her Majesty having given him the profits of the Provinciall Court Office and the Tenths of the Clarke Fees in the County Courts to Maintain his Office, and the House Resolv'd that the publick pay for now for the future

Sam. Young Esq from the Honble Council enters the House and delivers Mr Speaker the

Bill Directing the Manner of Electing and Summoning Delegates &c Endors'd as followeth

By the Council in a Assembly Decemb^r. 13. 1708

This Board being not yett agreed on what methods may be prescribed to oblige all the freeholders of each County to appear at their Respective Elections, on a more desire the House will not insist on this Bill this present Session

Sign'd J. Order W. Bladen C. Coun^r

Which being Read in the House

Order'd it be sent back with the following Message

By the House of Delegates Decemb^r. 13. 1708.

In Answer to the Message by Samuell Young Esq Endors'd on the back of the Bill directing the manner of Electing and Summoning Delegates &c. This House are of Opinion there is no necessity for having any method prescribed to oblige the freeholders to appear at Elections the Interest of their Lives and Country being sufficient to Engage them to take care what persons they Chose to represent them in a Generall Assembly, And this House taking this Bill to be of as great consequence as any that will be pass'd this Session by the concurrence of the Honble Council thereto

Sign'd J. Ord. Rich^d. Dally J. H. Doo

Sent up to the Honble Council with the Bill by Mr. Wilkinfon Mr. Marriarkes and Mr. Lee

They Return and say they delivered their Message to the Honble Thomas Greenfield, and Phillip &c and delivers Mr Speaker.