

which being read in the House is allowed and the following Address proposed
thereupon vizt By the House of Delegates December 8th 1708

○ May it please your Excellency, We humbly beg Leave to acquaint
your Excellency that it is reported to this House as an Aggrievance that the
Restriction or Limitations of the Commissioners of the County Courts not to hear,
try, determine, or give Judgment in any Action for any greater Sum than ten
thousand Pounds of Tobacco or fifty Pounds Sterling is the Cause of many
Actions being brought to the Provincial Court which might be heard and
determined in the County Courts for half the Cost and much sooner come to a
Determination to the Advantage of Plaintiff and Defendant therefore humbly
desire your Excellency to issue new Commissions to the several Counties empowering
the Justices to hear and determine all Actions of what Nature soever excepting Titles
of Land or Criminal Cases extending to Life or Member which can be no Pre-
judice to the Suitors as long as they have Liberty of Appeals or bringing writs
of Error Signed & Order Rich^d Dallam *Pro. Sec.*

Sent by Mr. Marantoe, Mr. Tyler, Mr. Lovington, Mr. Poore, Mr. Frabb and Mr. Lee,
The Committee of Aggrievances likewise report that the Comdy Generals Fees are
so abridged by the several Clerks therein concerned that those Persons which are
charged with the same cannot understand nothing by them but just the Sum
charged which gives Room to the Officers to charge ignorant People what they
please. All which is humbly referred by this Committee to the Honble House
of Delegates as an Aggrievance and that you will consider thereof

Signed & Order John Beale *Pro. Sec.*

Read in the House and allowed and ordered henceforth the Clerks make out the
Fees in words at length

Bill settling the Rate of foreign Coins Read the second Time and ordered to be ingrossed
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pass Signed & Order Richard Dallam *Pro. Sec.*

Sent up to the Council by Mr. Greenfield and Mr. Storey They return and say they
delivered the same

The Representation of John Tasher, Edward Botolar, and Richard Dallam on
Behalf of the Creditors of Thomas Manning according to the Direction of a former
Law, made in his Favour. And to call such Persons to Account as had received
any of the Said Mannings Estate during his Imprisonment Read and Leave
given to bring in a Bill next Session of Assembly

Mr. Synes from the Council enters the House and delivers Mr. Speaker the
Bill to be allowed to be brought in to confirm the Charter of Annapolis

Ordered it lye on the Table for the Members Perusal

The Honble Philip Synes Esq; from the Council likewise brings into the House