

Then the S^r Philimon Hemley and Mary his Wife are to lay before this house
an Account of what Armes and Amunition were Lodged in Col^l Contus hands
for the use of the publick & how the Same is disposed of and it is
Ordered they be served with a Copy hereof. Signed & Ord^d

Ma^r Nemara Ch^r Des

A Bill for reconciling Differences in relation to the Bounds of Land within
this province and for settling the bounds thereof

Read the 1st & 2^d time by Especial Order & Ordered to be Endorsed thus viz^t

By the House of Delegates July 5. 1714.

Read the 1st & 2^d time by Especial order & will pass. Signed & Ord^d

Ma^r Nemara Ch^r Des

Sent up by M^r Tyler M^r Stoddard Major Woolford Captⁿ Codd Captⁿ
Tripp Capⁿ Colegate Capⁿ Granfield & M^r W^m Whittington Jun^r to the hon^{ble}
Council in Assembly. They return and say they delivered the Same

Col^l Coursey Col^l Whittington & John Dorsey Esq^r from the hon^{ble}
C^o Council Enter the House and Deliver M^r Speaker the

Bill for limitation of Officers fees with the following Endorsm^t viz^t

By the Council in Assembly June 4th 30th 1714

This bill being read and debated all the Board It is thought if it should pass
and the Officers fees be reduced as is thereby proposed. It will not only discourage
men of good Learning, Integrity and parts to accept of some of the inferior
offices therein mentioned but also lessen and Debate the State and Dignity of
the Superior offices which in their severall stations are most usefull in this
Province either in the Administring of Justice or Execution thereof and
ought to be handsomly supported according to their severall Characters not only
for the sake of their own merit and Capacities but for the Honour of
the Governm^t it selfe whereof they are the immediate Ministers - Therefore
this Board Cannot agree to the Bill. But Desire the former Law may be
revived with the Explanatory Act thereto - This Exactly the Gov^r & this Board
inclining not only to Encourage & Support such Officers as diligently &
faithfully discharge their Duty but likewise to punish and suppress those
that are anyway guilty of Bribery Extortion negligence or any other
unfaithfull misdemeanours in the Execution of the severall offices and
trusts reposed in them according to the utmost severity of the Law

Signed & Ord^d

W^m Bladin C^o Council

Which Bill is sent back to the hon^{ble} Council by M^r Tyler M^r Garrett M^r
Stoddard Capⁿ Colegate Capⁿ Ennalls & Major Woolford - with the following Endorsm^t

By the House of Delegates July 1. 1714

If your honours will use the Journall of Assembly held in 1709 -
you will find therein that your honours were pleased to promise readily to
joyn with us in regulating the Officers fees on the Arrival of a Capⁿ Gen^lall
the fees in my^r particulars are exorbitant and tend to the oppression of the
people - We are humbly of opinion that the fees as in this Bill limited -
Considering the multiplicity of buisness, are suff^t Decently to support as
well Judiciall as Ministeriall Officers therefore pray this Bill may pass

Signed & Ord^d Ma^r Nemara Ch^r Des