

Supplementary bill to the Act for ascertaining the bounds of Land was read with the amendments and being so ordered was sent to the Upper house by Mr. [Name] and the rest of the Committee of [Name] - who returned and say they have delivered it - A bill against buying and selling of Offices, and to prevent Corruption in Officers brought the first and second time by Special Order Will [Name] which was ordered and sent to the Upper house by Mr. [Name] and Mr. [Name] - who returned and say they have delivered it - The House adjourned till tomorrow morning mind of the Clock - Tuesday morning October the 25<sup>th</sup> 1720

The House met according to adjournment - Yesterday's Proceedings were read A Supplementary bill to the Act laying an Imposition on Negroes &c. was read the first and second times by Special Order and Will [Name] - which being so ordered was sent to the Upper house by Mr. [Name] and three others - who returned and say they have delivered it - Col<sup>o</sup>: [Name] from the Upper house delivers Mr. Speaker the bill against buying and selling of Offices - and to prevent Corruption in Officers - This bill was read the first time by the Upper house of Assembly October the 25<sup>th</sup> 1720 - Read and Will [Name] - signed the Order [Name] & [Name] - which being read again [Name] for Engraving and was sent to the Committee of [Name] to be read An Express Bill against buying and selling of Offices and to prevent Corruption in Officers is read and ordered to be thus ordered viz<sup>t</sup> October the 25<sup>th</sup> 1720 - Read and presented to by the Lower house of Assembly and signed the Order Mr. [Name] & [Name] - And was sent to the Upper house by [Name] and Mr. [Name] - They returned and say they have delivered it - Col<sup>o</sup>: [Name] from the Upper house delivers Mr. Speaker

the Supplementary Bill to the Act laying an Imposition on Negroes this indeed was by the Upper house of Assembly October the 25<sup>th</sup> 1720 - This bill being read will present the amendments to be inserted instead of the several Words mentioned therein viz<sup>t</sup> first [Suggesting] instead of Importing 2<sup>d</sup> the words [depending of the public] instead of those next marked 3<sup>d</sup> instead of [the words] 4<sup>th</sup> where the law proposes the Oath to be taken these words [such Owner or Owners are obliged to take

the following Oath You A, B, C do Swear that you are the true and only Owners of the Ship and have continued so ever since the time of the purchasing the said Ship by you now produced and that you have not purchased the said Vessel nor obtained the Register of said to the use of or in trust for any other Person or persons whatsoever for the sake of evading the payment of any duty in favour of any person or persons whatsoever that are not actually Residents within this Province] - instead of the words immediately following the said Oath within these two marks [I I these following viz<sup>t</sup> - provided that in case any Inhabitants of this Province Owners as aforesaid shall depart this Province and go beyond the seas about his reasonable affairs and shall not be absent there from for above the space of twelve months in (and any Vessel should happen in his absence to require his Oath as aforesaid, such absent persons Oath in such case may be dispensed with all the Owners/Residents (if any there be) taking the same Oath, and the benefit intended by the said before mentioned Act shall be allowed to the Owners of such Vessel

signed the Order [Name] & [Name] - which being read was sent to the Committee of [Name] to be amended - The Journal of the Committee of Accounts was read and ordered to be thus ordered viz<sup>t</sup> October the 25<sup>th</sup> 1720 - Read and presented to by the Lower house of Assembly and signed the Order Mr. [Name] & [Name] - And was sent to the Upper house by that Committee - They returned and say they have delivered it

A Supplementary bill to an Act laying an Imposition on Negroes &c. brought down from the Committee of [Name] was read with the amendments proposed and passed for Engraving and was sent to the Committee of [Name] to be Engraved - Col<sup>o</sup>: [Name] and Thomas [Name] from the Upper house deliver Mr. Speaker the Supplementary bill to the Act ascertaining the bounds of Land with the following Message viz<sup>t</sup> - By the Upper house of Assembly October the 25<sup>th</sup> 1720 - Upon reading and considering the Supplementary Act to the Act for ascertaining the bounds of Land in this Province prepared by your house and sent us by Mr. [Name] and six others of your house - We are of opinion

(That)