

may happen into error by inadvertency of the Clerk to have inserted,
Therefore we desire the said Amendments may be made in the
Bill

Signed at Order, M^{rs} Bladen C^o Council

It is Thereupon Ordered that the said Bill be Committed to
the Committee of Laws for the said Amendments

M^{rs} Tyler from the Committee of Grievances delivered M^{rs}
Speakers the following Report from the Committee of Grievances
which is Ordered to be entered as follows viz^t

(By the Committee of Grievances July 2^d 1714
We find in the Journal of the House betwixt Assembly 1709,
that the following Grievances amongst sundry others were
offered viz^t

It was then Reported and Resolved by the House as one
Grievance that severall places of profit within this Province were
in the hands of one person which offices would be better officiated
and business better done and sooner dispatched if the places
were in the hands of severall persons, and be sufficient to maintain
them besides it is great discouragement to the severall Inhabitants
of this Province who are well qualified for such places, that
persons less deserving and not qualified according to Law holds
places of profit and many times one person severall offices

Also it was then Reported, to and Resolved by the said House
as an Grievance that places of trust and profit (especially the
Sheriff's office had been sold to such persons as would give
most Money or Tobacco for them - whereby severall persons have
been Commissioned that are very incapable and not qualified and
of too mean Capacity and Estate to execute and perform their
dutys and offices and the Inhabitants much thereby oppressed &
and oppressed, and very slender Security given for performing
their offices, whereby great losses had and then were likely to
happen to her Majesty's Subjects within this Province

Which were then unanimously resolved by all the House to
be Grievances, and Thereupon a Conference was prayed by
the House that some Members of her Majesty's Honourable Council
might join with some Members of that House to consider of a proper
method to redress them

And thereupon a Conference was accordingly appointed
who as to the 2^d Grievances above mentioned, Reported as follows viz^t

As to what relates to one person holding severall offices
It was the opinion of the Conferees - that if any person held the
Chancery office the Comptroller Generalls office Secretaries office
Sheriffs office or C^o of the County Courts office together with any