

Was sent by James Harris, Edmund Jennings, John Beale and James Holliday, Esqs; Mr. Walter Smith, and Mr. John Magruder; who return, and say they deliver'd the same.

The Bill, entituled, *An Act for Relief of Francis Garteril, of Anne-Arundel County*, was read, and pass'd for Ingrossing.

Col. Ward, from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker the Bill entituled, *An Act empowering the Justices of Calvert County, to finish the Court-house of that County, by an Assessment on the Inhabitants thereof; as also for the Relief of John Critchard, and William Kidd, two of the Builders of the said Court-house*, thus Indors'd,  
By the Upper House of Assembly, October 18, 1728.

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Read a first Time, and ordered a second Reading To-morrow: And thus,  
By the Upper House of Assembly, October 29, 1728.

Read a second Time, and will pass. And the Bill, entituled, *An Act for the Relief of Edward Parish, of Anne-Arundel County*, Indors'd as follows, viz. By the Upper House of Assembly, October 16, 1728.

Read the first Time, and ordered to lie on the Table: And thus,  
By the Upper House of Assembly, October 29, 1728. Read a second Time, and will pass.

Richard Tilghman, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker, the Bill, entituled, *An Act for ascertaining the Form of Oath of Judge or Justice*; thus Indors'd, viz.

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By the Upper House of Assembly, October 28, 1728.  
Read the first Time, and order'd to lie on the Table: And thus:  
By the Upper House of Assembly, October 29, 1728.

Read the second Time, and will pass, with the following Amendment, viz. the Words (as are) before the Word *agreeable*, in the Fourth Line of the Oath, being incerted.

The Bill entituled, *An Act for Limitation of Officers Fees*, being read, was order'd to be thus Indors'd, viz.  
By the Lower House of Assembly, October 29, 1728.

Read the first Time, and order'd to lie on the Table.

The Bill entituled, *An Act for dividing of St. Paul's Parish, in Queen Anne's, and Part of Talbot Counties*. The Bill entituled, *An Act for the Relief of Edward Parish of Anne-Arundel County*. And the Bill entituled, *An Act empowering the Justices of Calvert County, to finish the Court-house of that County, by an Assessment on the Inhabitants thereof; as also for the Relief of John Critchard and William Kidd, two of the Builders of the said Court-house*; were severally read, and pass'd for Ingrossing.

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The following Message being prepared, was order'd to be enter'd thus, viz.  
By the Lower House of Assembly, October 29, 1728.

May it please your Honours,

We observe the Amendment propos'd by your Honours, to the Bill for ascertaining the Oath of Judge or Justice, (as are) before the Word *agreeable*, in the Fourth Line of the Oath, should be incerted, is, in the Opinion of this House, inconsistent with the Tenor and Design of the Oath of Judge or Justice, pass'd in Assembly, and several Times solemnly taken by all the Magistrates of the Province. And we are likewise of Opinion, that there ought to be the most cogent, the clearest, and the best of Reasons, given for such an Alteration. And here being no Reasons at all given by your Honours, for the Amendment you propos'd, we cannot agree to it; but hope your Honours are sufficiently convinc'd of the Reasonableness and Justice of what we contend for; and that you will pass the Bill as it is. — And was sent to the Upper House, together with the Bill entituled, *An Act for ascertaining the Form of Oath of Judge or Justice*, by John Beale, Esq; and Mr. Worthington; who return, and say they delivered the same.

The Bill, entituled, *An Act for Limitation of Officers Fees*, being read again, was Order'd to be thus Indors'd, viz.  
By the Lower House of Assembly, October 29, 1728.

Read the second Time, by an especial Order, and will pass.

Sent to the Upper House by Major King, and Mr. Matthews; who return and say they delivered the same.

A Bill, entituled, *An Act for the Relief of Jonathan Covill, of Prince George's County*, being read, was Order'd to be thus Indors'd, viz.  
By the Lower House of Assembly, October 29, 1728.

Read the first and second Time, by an especial Order, and will pass.

Sent to the Upper House, by Mr. Crabb, and Col. Belt, who return and say they delivered it.

John Rousby, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker the following Message, viz.  
By the Upper House of Assembly, October 29, 1728.

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Gentlemen,

On reading and considering the Tobacco Bill, sent up by your House, we are of Opinion, that many Provisions and Alterations are necessary to be made therein, most of which we doubt not, but your House will readily agree to: But forasmuch, as it would be too tedious to make those Amendments by Messages between the two Houses; therefore, for the better expediting that Affair, we propose, that a Committee of both Houses, be appointed to consider of such Amendments, as shall be thought necessary; and make their Report thereof accordingly.

The House appoints Daniel Dulany, and James Harris, Esqs; Major King, and Mr. Key, a Committee, to joyn with a Committee of the Upper House, to consider of Amendments propos'd by the Upper House, to be made to the Tobacco Bill.

The following Message being prepar'd, was Order'd to be enter'd thus, viz.  
By the Lower House of Assembly, October 29, 1728.

May it please your Honours,

In Answer to your Message of this Day, by John Rousby, Esq; wherein you propose a Committee of both Houses to be appointed, to consider of such Amendments to the Tobacco Bill, as shall be thought necessary; we acquaint your Honours, that we have appointed Daniel Dulany, Esq; and James Harris, Esq; Major Robert King, and Mr. Philip Key, to join any Members of your House, that shall be appointed by your Honours, as such a Committee.

Sent to the Upper House by James Harris, Esq; Major King, Mr. Key, and Major Robert Hanson; who return, and say they delivered the same.

The House adjourns 'till To-Morrow Morning, 9 o' Clock.

Do (by Order of the Lower House of Assembly, of the Province of Maryland) appoint William Parks, to Print the Votes and Resolves of the said House.  
John Mackall, Speaker.