

such Ship or Vessel respectively, in which any such Tobacco shall be exported, upon his or their Clearing or taking out his or their Dispatch or Dispatches, for every such respective Ship or Vessel, and before the departure of such Ship or Vessel coming into this Province, shall at their first arrival here, and before their Loading on board any Goods or Commodities, of the Growth, Production or Manufacture of this Province, give good and sufficient Security to his Excellency, or to the Officer thereunto especially appointed, for the Payment of the said Duty or Imposition accordingly.

*Provided always*, and it is the true intent and meaning hereof, that this Act, nor any thing herein contained, shall be adjudged, construed, reputed or taken (any thing herein expressed to the contrary notwithstanding) to disannul or make void his Lordship's Right to the other Moiety of the said *Two Shillings* per Hoghead to be paid in Consideration of his Rents and Alienation Money in Tobacco at *Two Pence* per Pound, during the Term of his natural Life (but that the same be kept and hereby preserved to his Lordship in as full and ample manner as by the said Law is expressed or intended) or in the least to discharge his Lordship of receiving the Rents aforesaid at *Two Pence* per Pound, as by the said Act is enjoined during also the Term of his natural Life, nor to discharge his Lordship from accounting for the Arrears of the *One Shilling* per Hoghead for Supporting the Government and providing Arms and Ammunition, but that he be obliged to all the aforesaid Matters and Things as fully and strongly as if the said Law were in full Force.

*And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid*, That every Master of a Ship or Vessel as aforesaid, at the Time of his Clearing, shall upon Oath declare the Quality and Quantity of his Loading, and that the Naval Officer by the Governor aforesaid appointed for the Time being, shall, and is hereby impowered to administer the said Oath, and in case the said Master shall refuse the said Oath, or upon Suspicion of having Goods on board for which he hath not Cleared, it shall be lawful for the said Naval Officer to enter on board any such Ship or Vessel and the same to Search for any such Goods as aforesaid; any thing in this Act before mentioned notwithstanding.

September 21st. 1704.  
Read and Assented to by the  
House of Delegates.

*W. Taylard*, Cl. H. D.

Sept. 21st. 1704.  
Read and Assented to by her Majesty's honourable Council.  
*W. Bladen*, Cl. Council.

Maryland, October 3d. 1704.

On the Behalf of her Majesty, &c. I will this be a Law.

*JO. SEYMOUR.*



By