

said (until the Time of their late Majesties King *William* and Queen *Mary* taking this Province under their immediate Protection) did convert to his own Use, to the impoverishing of the Country, and Defraud of the Publick, and being incapacitated of complying with what by the said Act for the said Moiety of *Two Shillings* per Hoghead is required.

*Be it therefore Enacted by the Queens most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of her Majesty's Governor, Council, and Assembly of this Province, and the Authority of the same,* That the said *One Shilling* per Hoghead for the defraying the Charges of Government aforesaid, as well for such Ships or Vessels as have already Cleared before the making of this Act, as for such remaining in this Province, be raised, levied, collected and paid unto our Sovereign Lady the Queen's most excellent Majesty, her Heirs and Successors for the Support of her Government for the Time being, in and over this her Majesty's Province aforesaid, and the Territories to the same belonging, for every Hoghead and quantity of an Hoghead of Tobacco which hath been for and during the Time aforesaid, or which hereafter shall be at any time shipped in any Ship or Vessel to be exported out of this Province, or any the Territories, Islands, Ports, Rivers, Creeks or Places thereunto belonging as aforesaid.

*And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, by and with the Advice and Consent aforesaid,* That the said Duty and Imposition shall be from Time to Time paid and satisfied by the Master or Masters of every 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 therunto 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 en-