

Your Committee observe, that the Clerks of *Saint Mary's* and *Frederick* Counties have not returned Lists of Ordinary Licenses granted in those Counties for the Years 1751 and 1752; and that the Clerks of *Talbot* and *Cæcil* Counties have not returned Lists for the Year 1752: For Want of which Lists, we cannot ascertain the Sums due from the Sheriffs of the said Counties, in those Years.

Your Committee further find, that of the Money taken out of the Office, by Virtue of an Act of Assembly, passed in the Year 1740, for Encouragement of Persons voluntarily Enlisting in his Majesty's Service for the Expedition against *Cuba*, the Sum of 686 l. 14 s. 4 d. remains due; and that by the same Act it is directed, that the Money should be replaced in the Office by three equal Assessments on the Public, of which only two Assessments have been made; and that there is also due to the said Office, for Money taken out for the Expedition against *Canada*, which is to be replaced by Ordinary Licenses, the Sum of 2939 l. 18 s. 10 d. 3 q. All which is submitted to the Consideration of both Houses, this 12th Day of November, 1753.

Richard Lee,
 Abraham Barnes,
 Zachariah Bond,
 Richard Harrison,
 Arthur Lee,
 Walter Dulany.

Memorandum.

Money paid into the Office by several of the Sheriffs, and late Sheriffs before mentioned, for Ordinary Licenses, and since the closing of the Books; viz.

<i>John Williamson</i> , Sheriff of <i>Kent</i> County,	41	18	6
<i>Thomas Harris</i> , Sheriff of <i>Queen Anne's</i> County,	27	10	3
<i>Nathan Hammond</i> , Sheriff of <i>Anne Arundel</i> County,	81	10	9
<i>Nehemiah King</i> , late Sheriff of <i>Somerset</i> County,	14	5	0
<i>Ephraim Waggaman</i> , Sheriff of <i>Worcester</i> County,	1	15	7 2
<i>Samuel Hanson</i> , late Sheriff of <i>Charles</i> County,	27	2	3
<i>Thomas Franklin</i> , late Sheriff of <i>Baltimore</i> County,	36	8	4
<i>William Young</i> , Sheriff of same County,	9	10	0
<i>William Thomas</i> , late Sheriff of <i>Talbot</i> County,	14	12	11

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Which Report was read, and ordered to lie on the Table.

Col. *Hammond* from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker the Bill intituled, *An Act for amending the Staple of Tobacco, for preventing Frauds in his Majesty's Customs, and for the Limitation of Officers Fees*; indorsed, "By the Upper House of Assembly, November 12, 1753. Read the second Time, and, with the Amendments proposed in a Schedule herewith sent, will pass. Signed per Order, J. Ross, Cl. Up. Ho.

" Amendments to the Act For amending the Staple of Tobacco, for preventing Frauds in his Majesty's Customs, and for the Limitation of Officers Fees: In the 17th Line of the 1st Page, between the Words *Mate* and *Boatswain*, put, or instead of *and*. In 13th Line of 13th Page, and the second Line of the 14th Page, make the Sheriff's Salary *Six* instead of *Five*. In the Secretary's Fees; making up the Issue, when done by the Clerk, leave out *when done by the Clerk*: A *Venire Facias* for Jurors, if issued by Order of the Court, leave out *if issued by Order of the Court*: A Copy of the Judgment, if demanded and delivered, leave out *if demanded and delivered*: Commissary General's Fees; every Letter of Administration, or Letters Testamentary, if granted by the Commissary General, leave out *if granted by the Commissary General*: For every Bond, if taken by him, leave out *if taken by him*: Every Oath, if administered by him, leave out *if administered by him*: A Warrant to Appraisers, if granted by him, leave out *if granted by him*: A Warrant to swear them, if granted by him, leave out *if granted by him*. The Judge or Register of the Land Office Fees; recording Certificate *per Side*, make *nine* instead of *seven*: Every Petition and Order thereon, make *One Hundred and Fifty*, instead of *One hundred and Twenty*: Copies *per Side*, and other Services *per Side*, make *nine* instead of *seven*. County Clerks Fees; every Imparance of the Defendant, leave out *of the Defendant*: Entering every Plea and Demurrer, make *Filing every Plea and Demurrer*: For