

The Indorsements are as follow; viz.

- “ By the Lower House of Assembly, March 1, 1754. Read the first and second Time, by an especial Order, and will pass. Signed per Order, M. MACNEMARA, Cl. Lo. Ho.”
- “ By the Upper House of Assembly, March 1, 1754. Read the first Time, and ordered to lie on the Table. Signed per Order, J. ROSS, Cl. Up. Ho.”
- “ By the Upper House of Assembly, March 6, 1754. Read the second Time, and will pass, with the following Amendments; leave out all that Part of the Bill, from the Words *Negotiation aforesaid*, in the 3d and 4th Lines of the 2d Page, to the Words *and for the*, in the 6th Line of 7th Page; leave out the Words *and this present Act*, in the 13th Line of the 8th Page, and insert the following, *and until the Sum of Five Hundred Pounds Current Money, in this Act mentioned to be paid, for the Purposes aforesaid, be also replaced*; in 16th Line of same Page, leave out the Words *and this present Act*; in the last Line of the same Page, leave out or *this present Act*; in the first Line of the last Page, leave out the Words *and this Act*. Signed per Order, J. ROSS, Cl. Up. Ho.”

George Plater, Esq; from the Upper House, acquaints Mr. Speaker, that the Governor requires the Attendance of the Lower House, in the Upper House.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and, attended by the Members of the Lower House, went to the Upper House, where Mr. Speaker presented to his Excellency,

An ingrossed Bill intituled, *A Supplementary Act to the Act intituled, An Act for amending the Staple of Tobacco, for preventing Frauds in his Majesty's Customs, and for the Limitation of Officers Fees.* And, An ingrossed Bill intituled, *An Act empowering the Justices of Frederick County Court, to levy on the taxable Inhabitants of the said County, a Sum of Current Money, for the Use therein mentioned.*

Both which his Excellency passed into Laws in the usual Manner; and made the following Speech, viz.

*Gentlemen of the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly,*

I CANNOT sufficiently express to you my great Concern at our having put the Country to a very considerable Expence, without doing the Business, which I conceived, Duty, Prudence, and good Policy, obliged me so earnestly to recommend, and I hope the Behaviour of all the neighbouring Colonies on the same Occasion, will justify my Conduct in this Affair. But to shew how averse I am to have the public Debt increased, without a Prospect of advantaging our Country, and how uneasy I am at the Thoughts of detaining you against your Inclinations, I have, with the Advice of his Lordship's Council of State, thought fit to prorogue this Assembly to Wednesday the First Day of May next; and you are to take Notice you are prorogued to that Day accordingly.

Thus endeth this Session of Assembly, this 9th Day of March, Anno Domini 1754.

Test. M. Macnemara, Cl. Lo. Ho.