

third Day of *February* 1756, and Debts due to the Public on the Collection thereof, and Debts due to the Commissioners or Trustees aforesaid, in their public Capacity, of Bills for Credit, Emitted or to be Emitted, on Loan accepted. And in Order the more securely to establish and keep up a Value in the said Bills of Credit, equal to that of Current Money of *America*, according to the Act of Parliament aforesaid, and that it may the more fully and certainly answer all the good Purposes, for which by this Act it is intended to be Emitted, *Be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid*, That it shall and may be lawful for any Person or Persons, to pay and discharge all and every the Rates, Assessments, Impositions, Forfeitures and Penalties by this Act granted, assessed, or imposed, either in and by the said Bills of Credit, or the following Species of Gold and Silver coined Money, provided the same be unclipped, at the following Rates, that is to say, *English*, *French*, and *Spanish* Silver, at Six Shillings and Ten Pence Farthing *per* Ounce, and *English*, *French*, *Spanish*, and *Portuguese* Gold, at Five Shillings and Six Pence, *per* Penny Weight, any Thing in this Act contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

XV. *A N D* whereas it cannot be doubted but that many Persons will pay the Rates and Assessments aforesaid, in Gold and Silver as aforesaid; *Be it Enacted*, That the Commissioners or Trustees aforesaid, whenever they shall have any Gold or Silver in their Office, paid in by Virtue of this Act, shall, and they are hereby directed to, deliver out the same at the Rates aforesaid, to any Person or Persons who shall apply and tender to them to be exchanged any of the Bills of Credit by this Act emitted, to the full Value of such Bills of Credit, provided such Tender be made within the Office Hours appointed by this Act, and the said Commissioners or Trustees shall not give any undue Preference in the Exchange for Gold or Silver above directed, but shall exchange first with the Person who shall first apply.

XVI. *A N D* *be it further Enacted*, That the Collectors herein after appointed, and every of them shall, and they are hereby directed and required, out of any Gold or Silver, which shall then be in his or their Hands, by Virtue of this Act, to exchange such of the Bills of Credit by this Act Emitted, as shall be brought to them respectively by any Person or Persons, desiring to have the same exchanged for Gold or Silver, according to the Value of such Bills, at the Rates herein before ascertained. And in Case any Commissioner, or Trustee, or Collector, shall give any undue Preference, or refuse or neglect, to deliver out Gold or Silver, in Exchange for Bills of Credit, as herein before directed, for the Space of Twenty-four Hours, the Commissioner, or Trustee, or Collector, so offending, shall forfeit and pay to the Party grieved, the Value of one fourth Part of the Sum so tendered to be exchanged,