

he, she, or they, respectively shall be assessed, by his, her, or their respective Creditor or Creditors, out of the said Debts, so as aforesaid by him, her, or them, owing as aforesaid, and may and are hereby enabled to deduct, retain and discount the same; any Agreement, Bond, Condition, Provision, or other Obligation, to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding. And all and every Person or Persons, who are or shall be any Ways entitled to such Money, Tobacco, or Commodities, are hereby required to allow such Deductions, upon the Receipt of the Residue of such Money, Tobacco, or Commodities, as shall be due and payable to them as aforesaid: And if such Creditor shall at any Time accept or receive from such Debtor, Part of such his Debt or Claim, he shall and is hereby obliged, at the Time of such Receipt, to make and allow to such his Debtor, a proportionable Deduction thereon. And the said Debtors and their Heirs, Executors and Administrators, are hereby saved harmless from any further Payment of the said Money, Tobacco, or other Commodities, so as aforesaid to be deducted, as fully and amply as if the same had been paid to such Creditor, or other Person, to whom the same would otherwise have been due and payable.

LI. *AND be it further Enacted*, That if any Creditor or Creditors, or his or their Executors or Administrators, who are or shall be entitled to such Money, Tobacco, or other Commodity whatever, or their respective Agents, Receivers, or Attornies, shall refuse, neglect or delay, to allow and discharge the said Money, Tobacco, or other Commodity, so as aforesaid to be deducted in the proper Account in which the same ought to be allowed and deducted, that then and for every such Offence, every such Person as aforesaid, shall suffer and be liable to the same Pains and Penalties, as in Case of excessive Usury, to be recovered in the same Manner, and to be applied as herein after directed.

LII. *AND* whereas considerable Quantities of ready Money, Plate, Goods, Wares, Merchandizes, and other personal Estate (Debts, Household Goods, Implements and Tools of Husbandry, and Tools of manual Occupation, excepted) Messuages, Manors, Lands, and Tenements, Mines of Lead, Copper, Iron, and other Mines, Furnaces, Forges, and other Iron-Works, Tolls, Annuities, and other yearly Profits and Hereditaments, within this Province, do and may belong to Persons residing without the same, either as their sole Property or in Company with others; and as it is equitable, that, towards the Defence and Security thereof, the same should be rated and assessed equally with the Property of Persons residing within this Province: *Be it therefore Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid*, That
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