

*An ACT to raise the supplies for the year seventeen hundred
and eighty-three.*

✻✻✻ OR raising the necessary supplies for the en-
✻✻✻ suing year, *Be it enacted, by the General As-*
✻✻✻ *sembly of Maryland,* That the rate or assess-
ment of twenty-five shillings current money,
shall be, and is hereby laid and imposed; for every
hundred pounds worth of property within this state,
and in the same proportion for every greater or less
sum; and the said rate or assessment shall be divided
into two parts, and shall be paid, collected, and lev-
ied, in the manner herein after directed.

Provided, That all property belonging to this state,
or the United States, or to any church, county, or
parish, or to any public or county school; all provi-
sions, except live stock, necessary for the use and con-
sumption of the person to whom the same shall belong
and his family for the year; plantation utensils; the
working tools of mechanics and manufacturers, actu-
ally and constantly employed in their respective occu-
pations; ready money; wearing apparel; and also
the personal property of any person who hath been or
shall be drove from his habitation in either of the sou-
thern states by the enemy, if such person shall have
taken the oath of allegiance to the state to which he
did belong, and shall settle in this state with the ap-
probation of the governor and council; shall and are
hereby excepted from any rate or assessment.

And provided also, That if any person (who hath
taken the oath of fidelity and support to this state,
and hath accordingly exerted himself in favour of the
freedom and independence thereof) shall be compelled
by the enemy to leave his habitation, and be thereby