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pounds of Tobacco, to be paid or secured to be paid by the Master Mistress or Dame to whom such Servant shall of right belong or apperteyne. And the said Servant to reimburse the said Master Mistress Dame or owner by servitude or otherwise, to the full Satisfaction and Content of the said Master Mistress Dame or owner But if the runaway so taken up and delivered by the Magistrate as aforesaid be a free man, then such Runaway to be Imprisoned till such time as he hath made satisfaction of the said sum of four hundred pounds of Tobacco, or shall give good security for the same or shall make satisfaction by servitude or otherwise. Provided that any Servant that runs away out of Somersett County into Accomack such person that take him up, shall have but two hundred pounds of Tobacco and no more And whereas some Masters Mistresses and Overseers void of humane pittty & Christian Comisseration have barbarously dismembred and Cauterized their Slaves not only to the Scandall of Christianity, but by such Cruelties keep them from Embracing the same Be it therefore Enacted by the Authority aforesaid by and with the advice and Consent aforesaid That if any Master Mistress or overseer with the privity consent or procurement of such Master or Mistress as aforesaid, shall after this Act dismember or Cauterize any such Slave, it shall be lawfull for the Justices of the County Court upon proof thereof to manumitt and set free such slave to all intents and purposesses whatsoever. And in case any Master Mistress or overseer with the knowledge and consent of such Master or Mistress as afore mentioned shall deny suffic^t meat drink Lodging and Cloathing or shall unreasonably burthen them beyond their strength with labour or deny them necessary rest and sleep, be it to any English Servant or Slave, It shall be lawfull in such Cases upon due proof thereof to the Justices of the County Court for the first & second Offence, to Fine the said Master Mistress or overseer as to them shall seem meet, and for the third offence to sett them free from their said servitude And whereas Thomas Courtney of S^t Maries County hath lately most barbarously dismembred and cutt off both the Ears of a certain Mollattoe girl called being a Servant according to a Law of this Province for one and thirty years Be it therefore further Enacted That the said Mollattoe Girl for the reasons and Causes aforesaid be hereby Manumitted and sett free from her said Master as a recompence for the Injury so of him received as aforesaid

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Assented to by the Councill Board
Signed p Ord^r
John Llewelin Clk.

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The house of Assembly
have Assented
Signed p Ord^r
Hen: Denton Clk.