

574 *Assembly Proceedings, July 17-Aug. 10, 1716.*

L. H. J.

By the Upper house of Assembly  
Aug<sup>t</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> 1716

Read the first time and will pass with the amendm<sup>t</sup>

Signed p order W Bladen Cl: Up<sup>r</sup> Ho:

p. 209 Read the third time in the Lower house and past for  
Engrossing.

M<sup>r</sup> Bordley from the Com<sup>ee</sup> of Laws delivers M<sup>r</sup> Speaker  
A Bill pmitting the Inhabitants of this Province to Issue out  
writts when Pl<sup>ts</sup> and appear and give Judgment when Def<sup>ts</sup> in  
the Several Courts there and in their own proper person,  
which was read the first & second time by Especial order and  
will pass and so Endorsed.

Sent to the Up<sup>r</sup> House by Co<sup>l</sup> Hoskins M<sup>r</sup> Tyler M<sup>r</sup> Pollard  
Cap<sup>t</sup> Dallahyde and M<sup>r</sup> Dashield.

They return and say they delivered it.

The house adjournes till 8 a Clock to morrow morning

Tuesday morning 7<sup>th</sup> of Aug<sup>t</sup> 1716

Then the house being called over the members were pres-  
ent as Yesterday Except M<sup>r</sup> Will<sup>m</sup> Whittington who had leave  
to depart this house dureing this Sessions of Assembly.

The proceedings of the House of yesterday were read

L<sup>t</sup> Co<sup>l</sup> Tilghman from the Upper house delivers M<sup>r</sup>  
Speaker The Bill pmitting the Inhabitants to sue in their own  
names &c: thus Endorsed—

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Wee have read and Considered the Bill and doe think that  
the giving liberty to p<sup>rs</sup>ons to sue out Writts in their own  
names will Introduce many Inconveniencies and Mischief such  
as gratifyeing Revenge mislaying their actions and con-  
sequently paying Costs of Suite and being nonsuited but as  
to that part of the Bill admitting people when sued to appear  
in their proper persons and when Bail given if required to  
confess Judgm<sup>t</sup> without Employing an attorney wee readily  
agree thereto

As to the last clause obligeing the Attorneys not to sue for  
his fee till the cause is finished wee are afraid, It will occasion  
attorneys who have good practice to refuse poor men's causes,  
unless they pay them before hand.

Signed p order W Bladen Cl: Up<sup>r</sup> Ho: