

ACTS OF ASSEMBLY.

The text of the Acts listed below, which are printed in this volume, is taken from Bacon's *Laws of Maryland at Large*, published in 1765. The titles of all the Acts passed at each session will be found in the Journals among the proceedings of the last day, except that, at the session of 1723, five Acts (including the revenue measures) were signed on September 28, the sixth day of the session (pp. 503, 615).

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