

to & for the severall & respective Commissioners of the severall & respective County Courts within this Province at the severall & respective Courts to be held for the said Countys, upon Examination had before them of the publicke Charges of their said severall & respective Countys and Allowances by them made of the same to Levy & raise Tobacco for payment and satisfaction of the said severall & respective County Charges and the Sherriffs Sallary for the Collecting thereof by an Equall Assessment upon the body, goods & Chattles of the Freemen & Inhabitants of the said severall Countys any Act, Law, Custome & Usage heretofore had & made to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding provided allways that the Accounts of the said County Charge be kept upon Record faire written in a booke by themselves sign'd by the Clerk of the said County Court and be returned to his Excellency the Governor & Councill, according to certain Act of Assembly of this Province made at a Generall Assembly held at the port of Annapolis the 30th day of Aprill In the yeare of our Lord 1696, and be Lodged according to the directions of the said Act. And Be It Further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid that if the Justices of the severall & respective County Courts shall Levy & pay any account or accounts which by Law is not allowable the said Justices so offending shall forfeite & pay each Justice for such offence the Summe of Five thousand pounds of Tobacco The one halfe to his Maj^{ty} his heires and successors for the use of the Free schoole, the other halfe to him or them that shall Informe, or sue for the same, to be sued for & recovered in the Provinciaall Court of this Province by Bill, Plaint or Information where no Essoyn Protection or Wager of Law shall be allowed. And Be It Further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid that a certain Act of Assembly made at a Generall [Assembly] begun & held at the City of S^t Maryes the tenth day of May in the yeare of our Lord 1692 Intituled an Act Impowering Commissioners of the County Courts to Levy & raise monyes to defray the Necessary Charge of their Countyes. Be & is hereby repealed & made voide. This Act to Endure for three yeares or to the end of the next Session of Assembly which shall first happen.

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Office,
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From
1694-1702.
Acts

An Act for Rectifying the ill practices of the Attornys of this Province & for ascertayning the Attorney Generall and Clerke of the Indictments Fees.

Acts of
March,
1697/8,
ch. 7

Whereas by a certain Ordinance of Assembly made at a Generall Assembly held at the port of Annapolis the 20th day of May Anno Domini 1695. It was ordained that the Attorney Generall of this Province should have four hundred pounds of Tobacco Fee for all Actions he should bring upon Bonds taken in the name of our Sovereigne Lord the King & putt in suite in the provinciaall Court of this Province to be paid by the party bound in the said Bond & for all