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We his Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Representatives of the Freemen of the Province of Maryland, in Assembly convened, taking into our serious Consideration the Expences necessary for his Majesty's Service, the more immediate Defence, Security, and Protection of the Frontier Inhabitants, and for securing the Southern Tribes of Indians in the British Interest, and procuring their Assistance against his Majesty's Enemies; have, for those Ends and Purposes, and other good Ends and Purposes mentioned in this Act, cheerfully and unanimously Given and Granted, and by this Act, do Give and Grant for the Ends and Purposes aforesaid, the several and respective Rates and Assessments hereafter mentioned: And do humbly Pray that it may be Enacted,

II. And be it Enacted, by the Right Honorable the Lord Proprietary, by and with the Advice and Consent of his Lordship's Governor, and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Authority of the same, That the Commissioners or Trustees for Emitting Bills of Credit established by Act of Assembly, shall, and they are hereby required and enjoined forthwith, to Sign, Number and Date, of the Blank Books of Bills of Credit, for Renewment of defaced Bills, now in their Office, Bills of Credit to the amount of Ten Thousand Pounds, and the said Bills to Emit, make Current, and Pay out, to the several and respective Agents, Commissioners, and Persons, hereafter appointed to demand and receive the same; and to Pay to the Agents, Commissioners and Persons aforesaid, out of any Bills of Credit now in their Office unappropriated, or which shall on any Account whatever be received into the same, before the Thirtieth Day of September next, to the amount of Eight Thousand Pounds; and also to pay to the Persons aforesaid, out of the Bills of Credit now in the said Office appropriated to the Payment for Scalps or Prisoners, to the amount of Two Thousand Pounds, which said Sum of Two Thousand Pounds the said Commissioners or Trustees shall Replace by the first Bills of Credit which shall be paid into their said Office after they have received in to the amount of Eight Thousand Pounds including the said Bills of Credit now in their Office unappropriated.

III. And be it further Enacted, That any Person or Persons who shall Counterfeit any of the Bills of Credit, which shall be Emitted or made Current by this Act, or shall alter the Sum expressed in any of the said Bills, and his, her, or their Aiders or Abettors, or who shall utter or offer, or cause to be uttered or offered, in Payment, and such Counterfeit or Altered Bill or Bills, knowing the same to be Counterfeit or Altered, and shall be thereof convicted by due Course of Law, or stand mute, or peremptorily challenge above the Number of Twenty of the Pannel, shall suffer Death as a Felon or Felons, without Benefit of Clergy. And all Magistrates and Others, into whose Hands any such Counterfeited or Altered Bills, may hap-