

in Value to the rate of seven shillings and six pence sterling per hundred pounds of Tobacco and the sum of Nineteen thousand Eight hundred and forty pounds one shilling and two pence farthing Nominal Money of the True and real value according to the Course of Exchange between this Province and London of Eleven Thousand nine hundred and four pounds and nine pence Sterling

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No. 1

And Whereas the public of this Province now hath twenty six thousand and eight hundred pounds Capital Stock of the Bank of England as appears by the Last Account rendered by the Trustees for this Province residing in London dated the Thirtieth day of May Last and also the sum of Five thousand two hundred and thirty pounds Seventeen shillings and two pence Sterling not invested Subject to the disposition of the General Assembly and the great Scarcity of Specie at this time makes an Additional Circulating Medium in this Province Necessary for the Purposes of Trade and Commerce For the Ease therefore of the good People of this Province in the payment and Discharge of the Publick Debt to supply in some Measure a circulating Medium of commerce and for the other purposes herein after particularly mentioned

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Be it Enacted by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary by and with the Advice and Consent of his Lordships Governor and the Upper and Lower houses of Assembly and the Authority of the same that Bills of Credit of the Denomination of Dollars. Aliquot parts of a Dollar to the amount of One hundred and seventy three thousand seven hundred and thirty three Dollars shall be printed and struck with all convenient Speed on good single paper under the care and directions of the Commissioners to be appointed by Virtue of this Act in manner and form following to wit, This Indented Bill of

[Bills of
Credit to be
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Dollars shall entitle the bearer hereof to receive Bills of Exchange payable in London at the rate of Four shillings and six pence sterling per Dollar for the said Bill according to the Directions of an Act of Assembly of Maryland dated in Annapolis this day of Anno Domini

[Their
Tenor]

176 which Bills of Credit shall be signed numbered and dated by the Commissioners aforesaid and the Number of Dollars or the parts or part of a dollar by which each Bill shall be denominated shall be printed at the top of such Bill in words at length with such devices and marks on the said Bills as the said Commissioners shall think fit and direct as well to prevent Counterfeits as readily to distinguish their several denominations the Number of which Bills as well as the Denominations thereof shall be the following and no other to wit Six Thousand three hundred and nineteen Bills of eight Dollars each Six thousand three hundred and Eighteen Bills of six Dollars each six thousand three hundred and Eighteen Bills of four Dollars each twelve thousand Bills of Two dollars each twelve thousand Bills of one Dollar each twelve thousand and two bills of two

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