

No. 37 An Act empowering the County Courts to settle with Persons who were formerly Inspectors of Tobacco.

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[Preamble.]

Whereas by the Expiration of the Act entitled an Act for amending the Staple of Tobacco for preventing Frauds in his Majesty's Customs & for the Limitation of Officers Fees the Power of the County Courts to settle the Accounts of Inspectors ceases, whereby the Public in many Instances are deprived of the Balance due from Inspectors and in others the Inspectors remain unpaid.

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 it shall and may be lawful for the Justices of the several County Courts within this Province & they are hereby required at their next County Courts to call before them the Persons who were Inspectors of Tobacco in the Year seventeen hundred and seventy in their respective Counties who are hereby obliged to attend and to settle with & adjust the Accounts of the said Inspectors & such Inspectors are hereby empowered to make publick Sale during the Sitting of the County Court of any Tobaccos inspected by them in the Year aforesaid which they might or could have sold in Virtue of the Act aforesaid and where any Sum of Money appears to be due from the said Inspectors the said Justices shall receive & apply the same to the Use of their respective Counties and where any Sum of Money shall appear on such Settlement to be due to any Inspector the said Justices respectively are hereby authorized and required to pay to the said Inspectors such Sum out of any Monies that shall then be in their Hands & if no Money then in Hand such Justices shall at their next November Courts levy any Sum or Sums so due on the Taxable Inhabitants of their respective Counties to and for the Use of such Inspectors.

[Justices of County Courts to settle with Persons who were Inspectors of Tobacco in 1770, &c.]

By the Lower House of Assembly, November 29.<sup>th</sup> 1771. Read & assented to.  
Signed by Order,  
Jn<sup>o</sup> Duckett Cl. Lo. Ho.

On Behalf of the Right Honble the Lord Proprietary of this Province I Will this be a Law.  
Rob.<sup>t</sup> Eden

By the Upper House of Assembly Nov.<sup>r</sup> 29.<sup>th</sup> 1771. Read & assented to.  
Signed by Order  
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The Great Seal  
in Wax appendant

I do hereby certify that Reverdy Ghiselin Clerk of the Provincial Court and Secretary's Office of the Province of Maryland this Day personally appeared before me the Subscriber one of his Lordship's the Right honourable the Lord Proprietary of the Province aforesaid his Counsel of State and made Oath on the holy Evangels of Almighty God that he carefully examined all the Laws contained in this Book from Folio 103 to Folio 169 with the Original Acts that passed the Great Seal.