

No. 26 An Act for emitting Bills of Credit and applying Part thereof—
 Liber R. G. 1773
 [Preamble.] Whereas an Emission of Bills of Credit is at this Time of General Scarcity of Specie thought expedient for carrying on the Trade and Commerce of this Province and for answering divers other Beneficial Public Purposes.

[Bills of Credit to be printed under Direction of the Commissioners.] Be it therefore enacted by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary by and with the Advice and Consent of his Governor and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly and the Authority of the same That Bills of Credit of the Denomination of Dollars and Parts of a Dollar to the amount of four hundred and Eighty thousand Dollars that is to say Two hundred and sixty six thousand six hundred and sixty six Dollars and two third parts of a Dollar for Loan Eighty thousand Dollars for the purposes herein after particularly mentioned and for such other Purposes as shall hereafter be appointed by Act of the General Assembly and One hundred and thirty three thousand Three hundred and Thirty three Dollars and one third part of a Dollar for the Purpose of exchanging such of the said Bills as shall be emitted in Virtue of this Act and which shall become torn defaced and unfit to pass shall be printed and struck with all convenient Speed on good single Paper under the Care and Direction of the Commissioners appointed or to be appointed by Virtue of an Act entitled An Act for emitting Bills of Credit and other purposes therein mentioned in Manner and fform

p. 284 following to wit. “This Indented Bill of shall entitle the Bearer hereof to receive Bills of Exchange payable in London or Gold and Silver 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 1774 which Bills of Credit shall be Signed numbered and dated by the Commissioners aforesaid as hereinafter directed 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 the like Devices and Marks on the Bills and by the like Stamps and flowers as were used in printing the Bills of Credit last emitted in this Province as well readily to distinguish their several Denominations as to prevent Counterfeits The Number of which Bills as well as the Denominations thereof shall be the following and no other to wit Eighteen Thousand Bills of Eight Dollars each Eighteen Thousand Bills of six Dollars each Eighteen Thousand Bills of four Dollars each Thirty one thousand five hundred Bills of two Dollars each Thirty four Thousand five hundred Bills of one Dollar each Thirty one Thousand five hundred Bills of two third parts of a Dollar each Twenty seven thousand Bills of Half a Dollar each Thirty one Thousand five hundred Bills of one third of a Dollar each Twenty seven thousand Bills of two Ninth parts of a Dollar each Twenty

[Their Number and Denomination.]