

L. H. J. The Committee of Accounts enters the House and delivers M^r Speaker their Journal which is ordered to be read and debated and considered.

Ordered they return again to their Committee and take off the Charge to the Secretary and others for Copy of the Laws and Journals &^{ta} it being the Opinion of the House the Secretary by Virtue of his Instructions from the Lords Comm^{rs} of Trade and Plantations ought to do the same ex Officio her Majesty having given him the Profits of the Provincial Court Office and the tenths of the Clerks Fees in the County Courts to maintain his Office, and the House resolved that the Public pay for none for the future.

Samuel Young Esq^r from the Honble Council enters the House and delivers M^r Speaker the Bill directing the Manner of electing and summoning Delegates &^{ta} Indorsed as followeth

By the Council in Assembly December 13th 1708

This Board being not yet agreed on what Method may be prescribed to oblige all the Freeholders of each County to appear at their respective Elections once more desire the House will not insist on this Bill this present Session

Signed p Order W Bladen Cl. Co.

p. 194 Which being read in the House Ordered it be sent back to the Council with the following Message

By the House of Delegates December 13th 1708

In Answer to the Message by Samuel Young Esq. indorsed on the Back of the Bill directing the Manner of electing and summoning Delegates &^{ta} this House are of Opinion there is no Necessity for having any Method prescribed to oblige the Freeholders to appear at Elections the Interest of their Queen and Country being sufficient to engage them to take Care what Persons they elect to represent them in a General Assembly. And this House taking this Bill to be of as great Consequence as any that will be past this Session do pray the Concurrence of the Honble Council thereto

Signed p Order Rich^d Dallam Cl. Ho. Del.

Sent up to the Honble Council with the Bill by M^r Philips, M^r Wilkinson, M^r Mariartee and M^r Lee.

They return and say they delivered their Message & Bill.

The Honble Thomas Greenfield, and Philip Esq. enter the House and delivers M^r Speaker Bill for Relief of poor Debtors