

Lib. L. L. An Act for Setling the Rates of fforreigne Silver Coyns within
 No. 64. this province.

Whereas her Majesty having had under Consideration the Different Rates at which severall species of fforreigne Coynes do pass in her severall plantations and the inconveniences thereof by the Indirect practice of drawing the money from one plantation to another did issue her Royall Proclamation bearing date the Eighteenth day of June one thousand seven hundred and four for setling and ascertaining the Current Rate of fforreigne Coynes in the said plantations at Rates therein lymitted, and it being observed that the said proclamation did not procure the desired Effect. It was in the sixth year of her present Majestys Reigne by the Parliament of England Enacted in an Act Intituled an Act for ascertaineing the Rates of fforreigne Coynes in her Maj^{ty}s plantations in America That no person after the first day of May which shall be in the yeare of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and nine account Receive or pay any the Severall Species of fforreigne silver Coynes mentioned in the said proclamation at any Greater Rate than at which the Same is thereby Setled without being Subject to the paines and penaltys therein menconed.

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By which it is Conceived that her Gracious Majesty is desirous to Restraine our neighbouring plantations under proprietors from taking such advantages as they have hitherto practized against us under her immediate Commission and Government in Restraineing them from Advancing The Rates of silver Coyne higher then in the said proclamation is allowed and allowing us to Come up to the said Rates it is humbly pray'd that it may be Enacted.

And be it Enacted by the Queens most Excellent Maj^{ty} by and with the Advice and Consent of her Maj^{ty}s Governour Councill and Assembly of this province and the Authority of the same that from and after the first day of May which shall be in the yeare of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and nine the severall Species of fforreigne Silver Coyne mentioned in the said proclamation shall pass and be Current in this Province at the Rates therein menconed (that is to say) a peice of Eight of Seville pillar and Mexico weighing Seventeen penny halfe penny weight and of foure Shillings and Six pence Intrinsic Vallue shall pass Current at Six Shillings, and all other fforreigne Coynes shall pass proportionably thereto according to their weight and fineness (as by the Table hereunto added is sett forth) for the discharge of any Contracts or Bargaines made after the said first day of May one thousand seven hundred and nine and Likewise shall pass in payments of all Dutys and Impositions which Is for the Defraying the