

Whereas an Act, Intituled, an act for the Assessment & Payment of the Publick Charge of this Province Passed the 22 day of June 1741 hath been transmitted to us. Calvert  
Paper 295 $\frac{1}{2}$

By w<sup>ch</sup> said act the sum of Eleven Thousand five Hundred & Ten pounds nine Shill & four pence Current money of the said Province is directed to be Assessed on & Levyed from the several Taxable Inhabitants of the said Province by an Equal Levy or Assessment this Year & to be paid to the severall Publick Creditors on or before the first day of Aug<sup>t</sup> w<sup>ch</sup> shall be in the year One Thousand Seven Hundred & forty two.

We takinge the said act into our Serious Consideration & Having a most Tender Regard to the Prosperity & Ease of the Inhabitants of our said Province who would be very Sensibly Affected and Aggrieved by the Payment in one Year of the Af<sup>d</sup> unusuall & Extraordinary large sum of Eleven Thousand five Hundred & Ten pounds nine shill & four pence Over & Besides the Ordinary sumes Annually Assessed on and Levyed from Them.

From this Motive & that so Heavy a Load when hereafter discharged may be the better borne by the said Inhabitants by Apportioning the Payment thereof in several Years. p. 91

We have thought fit & Judged it necessary to Disapprove Dissent to & Annull & said Act & declare the same Accordingly Void & of no Affect and we do hereby disapprove Annull & dissent to the said act & of this our will & Pleasure we Command Proclamation to be forthwith made & Published That all Persons Concerned may take due notice thereof and act accordingly. C: B.

Given at London the 23 day of Decem<sup>r</sup> 1741 under our hand Seal By his Lordship Order J. B. Sect<sup>ry</sup>

Tho: Bladen Com<sup>a</sup> sind April 24<sup>th</sup> 1742.

To Our Trusty & well Beloved Thomas Bladen Esq<sup>r</sup> our Lieuten<sup>t</sup> Governor p. 93

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1<sup>st</sup> Whereas the Act made in the Year 1704 which Provides a Support for the Government, As also another act w<sup>ch</sup> Grants a duty on the Tonnage of Shipping, Commonly Call'd the fourteen pence p Ton, Have been by the late Assembly Considered as Matters of Complaint, you are hereby directed & Injoyed to take all Imaginable Caution That nothing be done, to weaken or Lesson the right & authority I now have or Injoy in or Concerning any of those points; But if the Assembly should think fit to pass another Perpetuall Bill of the same Import & Affect as that of 1704, You are hereby permitted to give y<sup>r</sup> Consent thereto or to any Other Meashure w<sup>ch</sup> may in any Manner Confirm the s<sup>d</sup> Act 1704

2<sup>d</sup> You are to take Care that no Incroachment be made on my Power & Authority of regulating & Ascertainning the Severall Offi-