

An Act for the Setling
the Rates & Prizes in mony of all wyne
Liquors and other Comodities Sould by
Retayle within this Province

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fforasmuch as divers and Sundry greivous Comp^{ts} have beene made of the great abuses Comitted by the Severall Ordinary Keepers and Innholders within this Province against severall of the good People of this Province whoe have of late denyed and Refused to give Entertainm^t to all or most of the good People of this Province Coming and Resorting to their or any of their howse or Howses or to lett them have Credit for Such necessary Accomodacōns as they Stood in need of and had occasion for in Tobaccoes att the Rates and Prizes Lymitted and appointed to be paid to and Rec^d by Such Ordinary Keepers or Inholders (by one Act Intituled an Act Lymitting Ordinary Keepers) as formerly was vsed and accustomed vnless Such Person or Persons Soe Coming and Resorting to their Severall and Respective howses as aforesaid did pay Ready mony for Such wines Victuals and other necessary Accomodacōns whereby Severall of the good People of this Province Especially Such as have att any Time had Occasion or were Necessitated to Come to the Provinciaall Court as Iurors Witnesses and other Persons that have busines att the Said Court And att the Secretary's Office att S^t Maries not having Ready mony have for want of Such necessary accomodacōns and Credit as aforesaid been putt to very great Inconveniences to the Endangering their Healths And forasmuch as there is as yet noe Law for Lymitting the Prizes of wines and other Comodyties Sould by Ordinary Keepers and Inhold^{rs} for which Ready mony is to be paid of which the Said Ordinary Keepers and Inhold^{rs} taking Advantage they have most vnconcionably Exacted & demanded of Such Person and Persons who had Ready mony to pay for such necessary accomodacōns as aforesaid And the Said Inhabitants of this Province have beene Compelled to pay and the Said Ordinary Keepers and Inholders have taken & Rec^d Ready mony for their Said wines and other Comodities att very Excessive and vnreasonable Rates and Prizes to the great damage and preiudice of the good People of this Province for the Remedy and Redresse whereof for the ffuture Bee it Enacted and Ordained by the Right Hono^{bl} the Lord and Proprietary of this Province by and with the Advice and Consent of the vpper and Lower Howses of this p^rsent Gen^l Assembly And the Authority of the Same That from henceforward noe Ordinarie Keeper Inholde^r or other Person whatsoever within this Province keeping an Ordinary victualling house or howse of Entertainm^t within this