ACTS OF THE ASSEMBLY PASSED IN SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER 1756

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At a Session of Assembly begun and held at the City of Annapolis the fourteenth Day of September in the Sixth year of the Dominion of the Right Honourable Frederick absolute Lord and Proprietary of the Provinces of Maryland and Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore &ca Annoq Dom 1756 and Ending the Ninth Day of October following.

The following Laws were Enacted and assented to by his Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esquire Governor

No. 1 An Act for his Majesty's Service, and further Defence and Security of this Province.

Whereas the Earl of Loudoun, Commander in Chief of his [Preamble.] Majesty's Forces in North-America, by his Letter to his Excellency Horatio Sharpe, Esq; of the Twentieth of August last, has signified. That the State of his Majesty's Service requires that his Royal American Regiment of Four Battalions, for which he has been graciously pleased to send over to America a Number of Officers, should be immediately compleated, and that it is his Royal Expectation that the Colonies will supply the Levies for the said Regiment: And whereas by an Act of Assembly, made at the last Session, For granting a Supply of Forty Thousand Pounds for his Majesty's Service, and striking Thirty-four Thousand and Fifteen Pounds Six Shillings thereof in Bills of Credit, and raising a Fund for sinking the same, it is directed, That Twenty-five Thousand Pounds, Part of the said Forty Thousand Pounds (including Commission to the Agents by the said Act appointed) should be laid out and applied in the carrying on any Expedition or Operation, which might be undertaken by this Province for his Majesty's Service, in Conjunction with the Colonies of Virginia, Pennsylvania, and North-Carolina, or Virginia and Pennsylvania only, in case Carolina should fail to join therein: And as such Expedition has not been undertaken,

[3000 l. appropriated for raising 300 Men for the Royal Regiment.]

Be it therefore Enacted, by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, by and with the Advice and Consent of his Lordship's Governor, and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Authority of the same, That the Sum of Five Thousand Pounds, in Bills of Credit, out of the Twenty-five Thousand Pounds abovementioned, shall be laid out and applied for his Majesty's Service; and that Part of the said Five Thousand Pounds, not exceeding Three Thousand Pounds, shall be laid out and applied in defraying