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[illegible] Assembly [illegible]

[illegible] Lord Baron of Baltemore & absolute Lord and Proprietary of this Province with the advise and consent of this [illegible] Assembly [illegible] for the time to be taken into serious consideration and [illegible]

[illegible] from and after the day of this present Session of Assembly [illegible] whatsoever person or persons within this Province and the Islands thereunto belonging shall from henceforth blaspheme God, that is curse him or deny our Saviour Jesus Christ to be the Son of God or shall deny the holy Trinity the Father Son and holy Ghost or the Godhead of any of the three persons of the Trinity or the unity of the Godhead or shall use any reproachfull speeches words or language concerning the holy Trinity or any of the said three persons of the Trinity or the unity of the Godhead shall for every such offence forfeit and lose the value of five pounds sterling in gold or silver money of this Province or the full value thereof to be levied on the goods and chattels of the offender by warrant under the hand and seal of the Lord Proprietary or his Lieutenant or chief Governour of this Province for the time being and in default of such goods and chattels sufficient to be found whereon to levy the said forfeiture then the offender shall be publickly whipt and shall suffer imprisonment during the pleasure of the Lord Proprietary or his Lieutenant or chief Governour of this Province for the time being and be bound to his or their good behaviour And if any person or persons shall after the first conviction of any such offence as aforesaid offend the second time in the like kind and be thereof convicted as aforesaid then every such offender shall for the second offence forfeit and lose the value of ten pounds sterling in gold or silver money of this Province or the full value thereof to be levied on the goods and chattels of the offender by warrant under the hand and seal of the Lord Proprietary or his Lieutenant or chief Governour of this Province for the time being and in default of such goods and chattels sufficient to be found whereon to levy the said forfeiture then the offender shall be publickly whipt and shall suffer imprisonment during the pleasure of the Lord 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thereof within this Province or the Islands thereunto belonging nor any way compelled to the belief or exercise of any other Religion against his or her consent so as they be not unfaithfull to the Lord Proprietary or molest or conspire against the civil government established or to be established in this Province under him or his heirs And that all and every person and persons that shall presume contrary to this Act and the true intent and meaning thereof directly or indirectly either in person or estate willfully to wrong disturb trouble or molest any person whatsoever within this Province professing to believe in Jesus Christ for or in respect of his or her Religion or the free exercise thereof within this Province or the Islands thereunto belonging shall for every such offence forfeit and lose treble damages to the party wronged or molested as aforesaid to be recovered by the party wronged or molested by action of debt plaint or information in any Court of Record within this 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