

The  
Following Laws were made in  
October 1695

An Act for laying an Imposition on Severall Commoditys Exported out of this Province.

Be it Enacted by the Kings most Excellent Maty by and with the Advice and Consent of this Present Generall Assembly and the Authority of the same That from and after the publication hereof no person or persons whatsoever Inhabiting or residing within this Province shall Exporte any furr or skinns within this Act hereafter mentioned and Expressed for England or any his Maties Plantations here in America but what he she or they shall pay unto his Sacred Maty and his Successors to be Employed Towards the maintenance of a ffree schoole or schools within the Province af<sup>d</sup> the severall Dutys and Imposts hereafter following that is to say for every Bear Skin nine pence sterling for Beaver four pence p skin for Otter three pence p skin, for wild Catts, foxes, Minks ffishers and Wolf skins one peny half peny p skin for Muskratt four pence p Dozen for Racoons three farthings p skin for Elk skins twelve pence, p skin for Dear Skinns drest or undrest four pence p skin for young Bear and Cubb Skinns two pence p Skin and That all non residents from and after the publication aforesaid That shall Exporte out of this province aforesaid any ffurrs or skins herein before mentioned and Expressed for England or to any his Maties Plantations as aforesaid shall for every Skinn or ffurrs by him Exported of what nature or quality soever being Comprized within this Act pay unto his Maty or his Successors for the use aforesaid double the duty by this Act Appointed to be paid by persons Inhabiting and resideing within this Province as aforesaid the same severall Impositions to be Collected by the severall and respective Navall Officers within this Province which said Navall Officers shall once a year render an Acc<sup>t</sup> of the said Imposition to the Governors Trustees and Visitors of the aforesaid ffree schoole or schools for the time being who shall & are hereby Authorized and Impowered to Order and dispose of the same for the uses Intents and purposes aforesaid and to the end the severall Impositions may be Justly and duly paid without fraud or decept.

Be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid That any person or persons whatsoever Exporting any furr or Skinns out of this Province shall att or before the shipping on Board of such Vessel in which such Skinns or furrs shall be Exported as aforesaid render upon Oath an Accompt of the nature Quantity and