

*Provided always,* That it shall be in the Power of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or Commander in Chief for the time being, to grant Licences Gratis, as an encouragement to any Person or Persons keeping Houses of Entertainment on the Public Roads, for the Accommodation of Travellers.

*Provided,* That nothing in this Act contain'd shall extend, or be construed to extend, to prevent or debar any Merchant, Shopkeeper, or other Person not Licenced to Retail Rum or other distilled *Spirituuous Liquors, Wine, Ale, Beer, Cyder or Perry*, from selling any Quantity of such Liquors, not less than Five Gallons, delivered at one and the same time.

*And be it Enacted,* That from and after the Publication of this Act, the Clerk of the Licences, shall be, and is hereby impowered and required, to make diligent Enquiry after, and prosecute any Person or Persons, who shall presume to retail any kind of *Spirituuous Liquors*, contrary to the Intent and meaning of this Act, or that shall offend in any of the particulars therein contain'd.

*And Whereas* the opening a Communication through the Province by making High Ways, Roads and Bridges, and keeping the same in Repair, are highly necessary; *We do therefore Grant unto His Most Excellent Majesty, His Heirs, and Successors, the Duties hereafter Specified, for the purposes herein mention'd.*

*Be it therefore enacted,* That from and after the *First Day of January*, which will be in the Year of Our Lord, *One Thousand Seven Hundred and Sixtyfour*, there shall be paid by every Person, who shall have Licence to Retail *Wine, Beer, Ale, Cyder or Perry, Rum*, or other distilled *Spirituuous Liquors* within the Peninsula of *Halifax*, the old districts of *Annapolis-Royal*, and *Fort Cumberland* to the Clerk of the Licences, over and above his customary Fees, for making out Licences and taking Bonds, the Sum of *Eight Pounds per annum*, to be paid quarterly, *Three Months in Advance*; and that there shall be paid by every Person, who shall obtain Licence in every other Town and Place within the Province, *Five Pounds per Annum*, to be paid quarterly and in Advance as aforesaid.

*And, for the better securing the Payment of the Duties imposed by this Act, Be it enacted,* That no Person shall be intitled to receive a Licence as aforesaid, without first giving Bond with one sufficient surety to the acceptance of the Clerk of the Licences, in the sum of *Twenty Pounds*, That he, she, or they, shall well and truly Comply with, and yield Obedience to the Laws of this Province already made, or to be hereafter made, in relation to Persons Licenced to sell Liquors; and shall keep and maintain good order in the said Tavern or House of Public Entertainment; and shall not suffer the using any unlawfull Games therein; and shall duly pay into the Hands of the Clerk of the Licences, his, her, or their quarterly Payment, within *Ten Days* after such Payment shall become due, as aforesaid.