

of the province, and not to act in compleat subservience to their directions, the members of it, or at least some of them, ought to be appointed by the recommendation of other persons than the governour of the province, and to be such persons as are known to be of independent tempers and principles, and not likely to comply, against their judgments, with the dictates of the governours : and that this is the only way by which the legislative council can be rendered respectable in the eyes of the people, and their ordinances find a ready and chearful obedience from them.

II. This council is to continue for an indefinite time, or till another act of parliament shall put an end to it.

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This removes the prospect of having an assembly to an indefinite distance, so as almost to destroy all hopes of it. And, further, this indefinite continuance of the legislative council is contrary to what is stated as fit to be done in this very act in the preamble to this clause. For that preamble mentions the necessity of intrusting the legislative authority of the province, *for a certain time*, to persons resident therein. See above, page 90. Why therefore is it intrusted to those persons by the clause itself *for an uncertain, or indefinite, time?*

III. Not to have the power of imposing taxes, except in certain cases.