

I. *Be it enacted by the Governor, Council, and Assembly,* That from and after fourteen days next from the Publication hereof, no Person or Persons whatsoever, shall or may, by him, her, or themselves, or by any other Person or Persons whatsoever, employed to and for his, her, or their benefit, retail or sell, either directly or indirectly, Rum, or other distilled spirituous Liquors, whether mixed or unmix'd, within this Island, or the Territories thereunto belonging, in less quantity than *Twenty Gallons*, without Licence first had and obtained for that purpose, under the sign manual of the *Governor or Commander in Chief* for the time being, or under the sign manual of such other Person or Persons, as he shall or may appoint for that purpose; and if any Person or Persons whatsoever shall, contrary to the true intent and meaning of this Act, sell or retail any of the said Liquors in less quantity than *Twenty Gallons* as aforesaid, without first obtaining such Licence for the same, he, she, or they, so retailing or selling the same, shall respectively forfeit, for the first offence, the sum of *Forty Shillings*, Sterling money of the Kingdom of *Great Britain*; and for the second and every other succeeding offence, the sum of *Five Pounds*, of like money.

And for the more easy, and expeditious Recovery of such Fines and Forfeitures, *Be it further enacted*, That it shall and may be lawful for any one of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace in this Island, on his own view, or on the confession of the party, or by Proof on the Oath of one credible witness, thereupon to award the immediate payment of such Fines or Forfeitures; and if the offender or offenders, neglect or refuse to make such payment, then the said Justice so convicting him, or them, is hereby authorised and directed to issue a Warrant of Distress for the sale of his or their Goods and Chattels, to the amount of such Fines or Forfeitures, and the costs accruing thereon; and in case Goods and Chattels, sufficient to satisfy the same, cannot be found, then against the body of such offender or offenders: and the said Justice, on receiving such Fines and Forfeitures, so as aforesaid levied or paid, shall, if required thereto, immediately pay one half thereof to the person or persons, who shall have given said information upon oath; and the other half, within six months next after the conviction, and receipt as aforesaid, to the *Treasurer* of this Island, to and for the use of his Majesty's Government therein. And in case there be no informer, then the whole of said Fines and Forfeitures, so as aforesaid received by the said Justice, shall be by him paid to the said *Treasurer*, to and for the use aforesaid. And if such offender or offenders, being so convicted, and against whom such Warrant shall or may be issued, has no Goods and Chattels to be found, whereon to levy said Fines and Forfeitures, together with costs; then, and in such case only, such offender or offenders shall or may be carried to the next common Goal

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Fourteen Days from Publication no person directly or indirectly, shall retail Rum, &c. in less quantity than twenty Gallons,

without Licence from Governor, &c.

Penalty on unlicensed retailer for first, second, and every after Offence.

How to be recovered.

Application of Forfeiture.

In case of no goods, offender to be confined one Month for first Offence, and Six months for every other succeeding one.