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At the General Assembly of the Province of Nova Scotia, begun and holden at Halifax, on Tuesday the 4^{th} day of December 1759, and in the 33^d year of His Majesty's Reign.

33 George II – Chapter 6 (Session 2)

An Act in Addition to an Act, intitled, "An Act relating to the assize of Bread, and for ascertaining the standard of weights and measures;" made and passed in the 32d Year of His Majesty's Reign.

Be it enacted by his Excellency the Governor, council and assembly, and by the authority of the same it is hereby enacted, that from and after the first day of May, 1760, no provision or goods of any kind shall be sold within the province, by stillyards (except the article of hay) under the penalty or forfeiture of twenty shillings, to be paid by the person or persons offending, for each and every default, and to be recovered before any of His Majesty's justices of the peace.

And it is further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the clerks of the market are hereby impowered to inspect all beams and scales, weights and measures, as well of brass as of other metals, and also the stillyards used for weighing hay, one in every three months, or oftner, as they shall see cause; not only those used by the inhabitants, selling publickly by weights and measures, but also those used on board any ships or vessels lying at any wharves, or at anchor in any harbour, or by any person or persons selling as aforesaid within the province, and the same to assay and stamp, and dispose of as in said act is directed, and under the same penalties: and all masters of ships or vessels refusing admittance to the said clerks of the market, shall be liable to the same penalties as any inhabitant, in manner and form as prescribed by said act, and to the recovered in the same manner.

And it is also further enacted, that all fines and forfeitures incurred by this, or the former recited act, shall be applied, three fourths to the clerk of the market, and the other fourth to the poor of the town where the offence shall be committed.