Gent. By the upper house of Assembly October 2d 1770

We have considered your resolutions for ye amendment of the Land Law and find by your first and second proposals you give the Appointment & Nomination of the Judges in Land affairs wholly to the voice of the people ~~[illegible]~~ rendering ye prerogative ~~[illegible]~~ in ye first only useful so far as his will and directed by their Election w.ch does. So by treating ye prerogative in so slender a manner as we cannot consent to ~~[illegible]~~ ~~challenge privilege~~ i.e. This we conceive would be to provide beyond its proper limits w.ch must necessarily be attended with many inconveniences — among which may be considered ~~[illegible]~~ ye Criminal interests ye w.ch be annually exposed to designing persons to have their favorite Ministers, and particularly ye single Determination thereby vested, and the controversies and animosities & factions parties ye such Elections w.ch but too apt to prevail — ~~The rendering ye dependence of the Judges [illegible] in the power as a manner [illegible]~~ the inconvenience of having frequently new Judges in Land affairs, whereas the long continuance of the same Judges and the Experience they gain thereby may be of great use to ye right Determination of such Causes