Anno tricesimo primo

Georgii II. Regis.

An Act for enlarging the Times for the First Meetings of Commissioners or Trustees, for putting in Execution certain Acts of this Session of Parliament; and for other Purposes therein mentioned.

WHEREAS by several Acts of this present Session of Parliament, the First Meeting of the Commissioners or Trustees for putting such Acts, or any Part or Parts thereof, in Execution, hath been or may be appointed or directed to be held before or upon the Day of Passing of such Acts respectively, whereby several Doubts and Difficulties may arise with Respect to the due Execution of the said Acts; be it therefore enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority Preamble.

Where the First Meeting of Commissioners or Trustees shall have been appointed on or before the Day the Acts appointing the same shall have passed,

of the same, That in case any Act of Parliament hath passed, or doth or shall pass, at any Time whatsoever, during this present Session of Parliament, upon or after the Day specified in any such Act, for the First Meeting of the Commissioners or Trustees appointed to put the same, or any Part thereof, in Execution, in each and every such Case, such Commissioners or Trustees respectively, or the same Number of such respective Commissioners or Trustees, as is or shall be authorized to hold such First Meeting, or any greater Number of them, shall and may hold their First Meeting upon the Fourteenth Day after the Passing of this Act, at such Places as were respectively appointed in such Acts for holding the First Meetings on the Days therein specified; and all such Commissioners or Trustees, or any Number of them, as aforesaid, being so assembled respectively on the said Fourteenth Day after the Passing of this Act, shall and may proceed to the Execution of such Acts respectively; and then, and from time to time afterwards, adjourn, and do and perform all such Matters and Things, and execute all the Powers and Authorities granted to them in the said Acts respectively, in the same Manner, and as fully and effectually to all Intents and Purposes, as if such Commissioners or Trustees had been assembled in pursuance of, and on the respective Days specified or appointed in such Acts, for holding the First Meeting of such Commissioners or Trustees; any thing therein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

such Meeting is to be held on the 14th Day after the passing of this Act, &c.

And whereas several Acts of Parliament have been made for amending and keeping in Repair divers Roads in Great Britain: And whereas it may have happened that a sufficient Number of the Trustees or Commissioners for putting such respective Acts in Execution, have neglected to meet at such Times and Places, as were appointed or directed in pursuance of the said several Acts, and that Adjournments may not have been made to meet at any future Time: And whereas the Clerks or other Officers to the said Trustees or Commissioners, when proper Adjournments have not been made, may have neglected, or omitted to give such proper

proper Notices, as the said respective Acts have required to be made or given, of the next Meeting of the said Trustees or Commissioners, notwithstanding which Neglects or Omissions, the said Trustees or Commissioners, have met and proceeded to put in Execution the said several Acts aforesaid: And whereas Doubts have arisen, or may arise, with regard to the Validity of the Proceedings of the said Trustees or Commissioners, who have met and acted in the Execution of the said several Acts, notwithstanding such Omissions or Neglects had happened: For obviating whereof; be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That where ever it has happened that any such Trustees or Commissioners, as aforesaid, at any Time before the passing of this Act, have neglected to meet and adjourn, according to the Direction of the said respective Acts, or their Clerks or Officers shall have neglected to give such Notice of any future Meeting, as by the said respective Acts is directed; such Omission or Neglect of the said Trustees and Commissioners, or of their Clerks or other Officers, shall not in any Manner defeat, invalidate, or make void, any Act, Matter, or Thing, already done by any of the said Trustees or Commissioners, in pursuance of the said Acts of Parliament, or any of them, but that every such Act, Matter, or Thing, shall be good, valid, and effectual in the Law, to all Intents and Purposes, and shall be so adjudged and taken, notwithstanding any such Want of Adjournment, or proper Notice as aforesaid; any Law or Usage to the contrary thereof in any wise notwithstanding: And when it shall hereafter happen that a sufficient Number of Trustees or Commissioners, do not meet to put the said several Acts in Execution, that then the Clerk or other Officer of the said Trustees or Commissioners, may and shall, at any Time within the Space of Ten Days after such Omission or Neglect of the said Trustees to meet as aforesaid, appoint such Trustees or Commissioners, to meet at the House or Place where the then last Meeting was appointed to be held, on the Day Three Weeks after the Date of such

Where Trustees for repairing particular Roads shall have neglected to meet and adjourn, or their Clerks to give Notice of any future Meeting, as the respective Acts direct;

the Validity of the Proceedings of the said Trustees, is not to be defeated thereby.

When a sufficient Number of Trustees, &c. shall not meet to act, Clerk, within 10 Days after, to appoint a certain Time and Place for their next Meeting;

and on the Clerks Neglect or Refusal to give such Notice, 3 Trustees may appoint such Meeting;

Notice; and in case such Clerk or other Officer, shall refuse or neglect to give such Notice, for the Space of Ten Days, that then it shall and may be lawful for any Three or more of the said Trustees or Commissioners, appointed by the said respective Acts, at any Time within the Space of Ten Days after such Neglect or Refusal of the Clerk or other Officer, to appoint such Trustees or Commissioners, to meet at the House or Place where the then last Meeting was appointed to be held, on the Day Three Weeks after the Date of such Notice; which said respective Notices in Writing shall be affixed on such Places as the said several Acts respectively direct, and the same shall be deemed and taken to be sufficient Notice; any Law or Usage to the contrary notwithstanding.

Notices to be fixed on such Places as the respective Acts direct.

FINIS.