Anno tricesimo primo

Georgii II. Regis.

An Act for making perpetual several Acts therein mentioned, for preventing Theft and Rapine on the Northern Borders of *England;* for the more effectual punishing wicked and evil disposed Persons going armed in Disguise, and doing Injuries and Violences to the Persons and Properties of His Majesty's Subjects, and for the more speedy bringing the Offenders to Justice; and also Two Clauses to prevent the cutting or breaking down the Bank of any River, or Sea Bank; and to prevent the malicious cutting of Hop Binds; for the more effectual Punishment of Persons maliciously setting on Fire any Mine, Pit, or Delph of Coal, or Canal Coal; and of Persons unlawfully hunting or taking any Red or Fallow Deer in Forests or

Chases; or beating or wounding the Keepers or other Officers in Forests, Chaces, or Parks; and also so much of an Act as relates to the Power of appealing to the Circuit Courts in Civil Cases, in *Scotland*.

Preamble.



WHEREAS the Laws herein after mentioned, which have by Experience been found useful and beneficial, are near expiring: May it therefore please Your most Excellent Majesty, that it may be enacted; and be it 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 of the same, That an Act made in the Thirteenth and Fourteenth Years of the Reign of King Charles the Second, intituled, An Act for preventing Theft and Rapine upon the Northern Borders of *England*; which by several Acts hath from time to time been continued; and by an Act made in the Sixth Year of the Reign of his present Majesty (for making perpetual several Acts, and for other Purposes therein mentioned) was further continued until the First Day of September One thousand seven hundred and forty four, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament; and also several Clauses, Powers, and Authorities, in the afore-mentioned Act made in the Sixth Year of the Reign of his present Majesty, for the more effectual preventing of Theft and Rapine upon the Northern Borders of England; and which by the said Act were to continue in Force until the First Day of September One thousand seven hundred and forty four, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament; and which said Act, together with the said several Clauses, Powers, and Authorities, were, by several subsequent Acts made in the Seventeenth and Twenty fourth Years of the Reign of his present Majesty, further continued until the First Day of September One thousand seven hundred and fifty seven, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament; are temporary,

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and several Clauses and Powers in the Act of 6 *Geo.* II. relating thereto; and which were continued by several subsequent Acts, are made perpetual.

temporary, and near expiring, shall be, and are hereby made perpetual.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That an Act made in the Ninth Year of the Reign of his late Majesty King George the First, intituled, An Act for the more effectual punishing wicked and evil disposed Persons going armed in Disguise, and doing Injuries and Violences to the Persons and Properties of His Majesty's Subjects, and for the more speedy bringing the Offenders to Justice; which by several subsequent Acts, One made in the Twelfth Year of the Reign of his late Majesty, and the others made in the Sixth, Tenth, Seventeenth, and Twenty fourth Years of the Reign of his present Majesty, was further continued until the First Day of September One thousand seven hundred and fifty seven, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament; is temporary, and near expiring, shall be, and is hereby made perpetual.

Act 9 *Geo.* I. and which was continued by several subsequent Acts, is made perpetual.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That a Clause in an Act made in the Sixth Year of the Reign of his present Majesty (for making perpetual several Acts, and for other Purposes therein mentioned) to prevent the cutting or breaking down the Bank of any River, or Sea Bank, which was to continue in Force during the Continuance of an Act made in the Ninth Year of the Reign of his said late Majesty; and which by another Act made in the Tenth Year of the Reign of his present Majesty, was further continued during the Continuance of the aforementioned Act made in the Ninth Year of the Reign of his said late Majesty; and which by several subsequent Acts made in the Seventeenth and Twenty fourth Years of his present Majesty's Reign, was further continued until the First Day of September One thousand seven hundred and fifty seven, and from thence to the End of the then nert Session of Parliament; is temporary, and near expiring, shall be, and is hereby made perpetual.

Clause in Act 6 *Geo.* II. to prevent the cutting down the Banks of Rivers, and which was continued by several subsequent Acts, is made perpetual.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That a Clause in an Act made in the Sixth Year of the Reign of his present Majesty (for making perpetual several Acts, and for other Purposes therein mentioned) to prevent the malicious cutting of Hop Binds growing on Poles in any Plantation of Hops; which was to continue in Force during the Continuance of an Act made in the Ninth Year of the Reign of his said late Majesty, and which by several subsequent Acts made in the Tenth, Seventeenth, and Twenty fourth Years of his present Majesty's Reign, was further continued until the First Day of September, One thousand seven hundred and fifty seven, and

Clause in Act 6 *Geo.* II. to prevent the malicious cutting of Hop Binds, and which was continued by several subsequent Acts, is made perpetual.

from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament; is temporary, and near expiring, shall be, and is hereby made perpetual.

Clause in Act 10 *Geo.* II. for extending the Powers in Act 9 *Geo.* I. to the several Cases of Offences therein set forth, and which was continued by several subsequent Acts, is made perpetual.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That a Clause in an Act made in the Tenth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty (for continuing an Act for the more effectual punishing wicked and evil-disposed Persons going armed in Disguise, and doing Injuries and Violences to the Persons and Properties of His Majesty's Subjects, and for the more speedy bringing the Offenders to Justice; and for other Purposes therein mentioned) to extend, during the Continuance of the said Act, all the Provisions therein contained (for the more speedy and easy bringing the Offenders against the said Act to Justice, and the Persons who shall conceal, and abet or succour such Offenders, and for making Satisfaction and Amends to all and every the Person and Persons, their Executors and Administrators, for the Damages they shall have sustained or suffered by any Offender or Offenders against the said Act; and for the Encouragement of Persons to apprehend such Offender and Offenders; and for the better and more impartial Trial of any Indictment or Information which shall be found, commenced, or prosecuted, for any of the Offences committed against the said Act; together with all Restrictions, Limitations, and Mitigations, by the said Act directed) to all Cases of Offences committed by unlawfully and maliciously cutting down the Bank or Banks of any River, or any Sea Bank, whereby any Lands shall be overflowed or damaged; or by unlawfully and maliciously cutting any Hop Binds growing on Poles in any Plantation of Hops; or by wilfully and maliciously setting on fire, or causing to be set on fire, any Mine, Pit, or Delph of Coal, or Cannel Coal, and which, by several subsequent Acts made in the Seventeenth and Twenty fourth Years of His present Majesty's Reign, was further continued until the First Day of September, One thousand seven hundred and fifty seven, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament; is temporary, and near expiring, shall be, and is hereby made perpetual.

Clauses in Act 10 *Geo.* II. for punishing of Persons maliciously setting on fire any Mine of Coal; or unlawfully hunting and taking of Deer; and beating and wounding the Keepers of Parks, *&c.*

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the several Clauses in an Act made in the Tenth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty (for the more effectual Punishment of Persons maliciously setting on fire any Mine, Pit, or Delph of Coal or Cannel Coal; or unlawfully hunting or taking any Red or Fallow Deer in Forests or Chaces; or beating and wounding the Keepers or other Officers in Forests, Chaces, or Parks) which were to continue in Force during the Continuance of an

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Act made in the Ninth Year of the Reign of his said late Majesty, and which by several subsequent Acts, made in the Seventeenth and Twenty fourth Years of His present Majesty's Reign, were further continued until the First Day of September, One thousand seven hundred and fifty seven, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament; are temporary, and near expiring, shall be, and are hereby made perpetual.

and which were continued by several subsequent Acts, are made perpetual.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That so much of an Act made in the Twentieth Year of His present Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for taking away and abolishing the heritable Jurisdictions in that Part of *Great Britain* called *Scotland*, and for making Satisfaction to the Proprietors thereof, and for restoring such Jurisdictions to the Crown; and for making more effectual Provision for the Administration of Justice, throughout that Part of the United Kingdom, by the King's Courts and Judges there; and for obliging all Persons acting as Procurators, Writers, or Agents, in the Law of *Scotland*, to take the Oaths; and for rendering the Union of the Two Kingdoms more complete; as relates to the Power of appealing to the Circuit Courts in Civil Cases, which was to continue in Force for the Space of Ten Years from the Twenty fifth Day of March, One thousand seven hundred and forty eight, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament; is temporary, and near expiring, shall be, and is hereby made perpetual.

So much of the Act of 20 *Geo.* II. as relates to the Power of appealing to the Circuit Courts in Civil Cases, is made perpetual.

FINIS.