ANNO TRICESIMO QUINTO

Georgii III. Regis.

CAP. CXI.

An Act for more effectually carrying into Execution an Act, made in the Thirty-third Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, intituled, *An Act for the Encouragement and Relief of Friendly Societies*; and for extending ſo much of the Powers thereof as relates to the framing Rules and Regulations for the better Management of the Funds of ſuch Societies, and the Appointment of Treaſurers to other Inſtitutions of a charitable Nature.

[26th *June* 1795.]

Preamble.

33 *Geo.* III. Cap. 54. recited.

WHEREAS by an Act, paſſed in the Thirty-third Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, intituled, *An Act for the Encouragement and Relief of Friendly Societies*, it was provided that no Society which had been eſtabliſhed before the paſſing of the ſaid Act for the Purpoſes therein mentioned, ſhould be within the Intent and Meaning thereof, unleſs all the Rules, Orders, or Regulations, under which ſuch Society ſhould thereafter be governed, ſhould be exhibited, confirmed, and filed, at the General Quarter Seſſions of the Peace, holden for the County, Riding, Diviſion, or Shire, at ſome Time before or immediately next after the Feaſt of *Saint Michael* One thouſand ſeven hundred and ninety-four: And whereas many ſuch Societies may have inadvertently omitted to take the Benefit of the ſaid Act: May it therefore pleaſe Your 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 it ſhall be lawful for any ſuch Society to exhibit the Rules, Orders, and Regulations, made for its Government, at any General Quarter Seſſions of the Peace, or at any Adjournment thereof, to be holden in and for the County, Riding, Diviſion, or Shire, where ſuch Society hath been eſtabliſhed,

Societies eſtabliſhed before paſſing recited Act may exhibit their Rules for Confirmation at

any Quarter Seſſions before or immediately after *Michaelmas* 1796.

eſtabliſhed, at any Time before or immediately after the *Michaelmas* Seſſion in One thouſand ſeven hundred and ninety-ſix; and that ſuch Rules, Orders, and Regulations, being confirmed in the Manner in the ſaid recited Act directed, may be filed at ſuch Seſſions, and ſhall be valid and as effectual as if the ſame had been exhibited, confirmed, and filed, within the Time in the ſaid recited Act limited.

Governors of Inſtitutions for Relief of Widows, &c. may frame Rules and preſent them for Confirmation as Societies eſtabliſhed by virtue of recited Act.

II. And whereas ſeveral benevolent and charitable Inſtitutions and Societies are formed in this Kingdom, for the Purpoſe of relieving, by voluntary Subſcriptions and Benefactions, Widows, Orphans, and Families, of the Clergy, and others in diſtreſſed Circumſtances: And whereas ſuch Inſtitutions have, or may have Funds, which they may wiſh to place out on Publick Securities, under the Management of a Treaſurer: And whereas, in order to give Stability to ſuch Inſtitutions, it is neceſſary that their Property ſhould be ſecured under the Authority of Parliament: Be it therefore enacted, That it ſhall be lawful for the Governors, Directors, Managers, or Members, of any Inſtitution, for the Purpoſe of relieving the Widows, Orphans, and Families, of the Clergy, and others in diſtreſſed Circumſtances, to frame good and wholeſome Rules, for the Management and Diſtribution of their Funds, and the ſame from Time to Time to amend and alter, or to make New Rules, as Occaſion ſhall require, and to procure the ſame to be preſented to the Juſtices of the Peace for their Confirmation within the Time herein-before limited, and to be regiſtered, under and ſubject to the ſame Conditions, Methods, Reſtrictions, and Regulations, as the Members of Societies, to be eſtabliſhed by virtue of the ſaid recited Act, are directed to make, alter, amend, or renew and regiſter, their Rules.

Inſtitutions whoſe Rules ſhall be confirmed may appoint Treaſurers, &c. and be entitled to the Benefit of this Act.

III. And be it further enacted, That the Governors, Directors, Managers, or Members, of any ſuch Inſtitution, whoſe Rules ſhall be confirmed and regiſtered according to the Directions of the ſaid recited Act, ſhall and may appoint a Treaſurer, who ſhall give ſuch Security as is directed by the ſaid recited Act; and that ſuch Treaſurer ſo appointed ſhall be ſubject to account for the Funds belonging to ſuch Inſtitution, and the ſame ſhall be veſted in ſuch Treaſurer, and ſuch Treaſurer ſhall ſue and be ſued in ſuch Manner as is directed by the ſaid recited Act; and that all Powers, Authorities, Rules, Methods, Directions, Regulations, Proviſions, Conditions, and Reſtrictions, in the ſaid Act contained, ſo far as the ſame relate to the Appointment of Treaſurers, or to the taking Security from ſuch Treaſurer, and for protecting, ſecuring, or recovering, the Funds veſted in ſuch Treaſurer, ſhall be extended to all and every the Inſtitutions eſtabliſhed for the Purpoſes herein-before mentioned, by virtue of this Act, or any of them; and all ſuch Inſtitutions ſhall have and enjoy, and be entitled unto the Benefit of this Act, with relation to the ſeveral Matters before mentioned, as fully and effectually as any Society eſtabliſhed by virtue of the ſaid recited Act can or may have or enjoy the ſame; and all the Powers, Authorities, Rules, Methods, Directions, Regulations, Proviſions, Conditions, and Reſtrictions, in the ſaid Act contained, in relation to the ſeveral Matters before mentioned, ſhall be applied and put in Execution with reſpect to the ſeveral Inſtitutions eſtabliſhed by virtue of this Act, as fully and effectually as if the ſame had been particularly repeated and re-enacted in this Act.

FINIS.