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An Act to amend and render more effectual ſeveral Acts for the Redemption and Purchaſe of the Land Tax. [12th *July* 1799.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is expedient to make further Proviſion for facilitating the Redemption of the Land Tax by Archbiſhops, Biſhops, and other Eccleſiaſtical Perſons, and by all Corporations, and to remove Doubts which have ariſen reſpecting certain of the Proviſions of the ſeveral Acts paſſed for the Redemption of the Land Tax: 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 of the ſame, That it ſhall be lawful for all Bodies Politick or Corporate, and Companies, who, by the ſeveral Acts paſſed in the Thirty-eighth Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty and in the preſent Seſſion of Parliament for the Redemption and Purchaſe of Land Tax, are enabled to ſell any of their Manors, Meſſuages, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, for the Purpoſe of raiſing Money for the Redemption or Purchaſe of Land Tax, to ſell and diſpoſe of the Fee Simple and Inheritance of any of their Manors, Meſſuages, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, or of any Part or Parts thereof, for the Purpoſe of raiſing Money for the Redemption or Purchaſe of Land Tax charged on any Manors, Meſſuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments of ſuch Bodies Politick or Corporate, or Companies, or on any Part or Parts thereof, notwithſtanding the Land Tax charged on the Manors or other Hereditaments ſo

Corporations may ſell the Fee Simple of Eſtates to redeem the Land Tax notwithſtanding its having been redeemed by Leſſees, &c.

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propoſed to be ſold ſhall have been redeemed by the reſpective Leſſees or Copyholders or Cuſtomary Tenants thereof, or other Perſons having Intereſts therein, ſo as ſuch Sale or Sales reſpectively be made by ſuch Direction and Authority as is required by an Act paſſed in the preſent Seſſion of Parliament, intituled *An Act to amend and render more effectual Two Acts, paſſed in the Thirty-eighth Year of His preſent Majeſty's Reign and the preſent Seſſion of Parliament, for the Redemption and Purchaſe of the Land Tax.*

39 *Geo.* III, Cap. 21.

The Commiſſioners appointed by 39 *Geo.* III, Cap. 21, ſhall direct how Stipends ſhall be borne in future, which were charged upon Eſtates belonging to Corporations, ſold to redeem the Land Tax.

II. And be it enacted, That when any Manors, Meſſuages, Lands, Tenements, or other Hereditaments of or belonging to any Bodies Politick, or Corporate, or Companies, which ſhall be ſold for the Purpoſes of this Act or of the other Acts before mentioned, ſhall be either excluſively or in common with other Manors, Meſſuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments ſubject to or charged with any Yearly Sum or Sums, Stipend or Stipends, or other Profit or Emolument to or for the Uſe of any Rector, Vicar, Curate, or other Perſon or Perſons, it ſhall be lawful for the ſaid Commiſſioners appointed by virtue of the Act laſt before mentioned to direct how and in what Manner and Proportions, and out of what Part or Parts of the Manors, Meſſuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, originally liable thereto, ſuch Sum or Sums, Stipend or Stipends, or other Profits or Emoluments as aforeſaid, or any ſpecific Part or Parts thereof, ſhall reſpectively be paid or borne in future; and in every ſuch Caſe, and from thenceforth the Manors, Meſſuages, Lands, Tenements, or other Hereditaments, or ſuch ſpecific Part or Parts thereof, by or out of which the ſame ſhall be ſo directed to be paid or borne, ſhall be excluſively ſubject thereto, and to ſuch Powers and Remedies for the Recovery thereof as the Law has provided for the Recovery of Rent reſerved on Leaſes; any Thing in the ſaid laſt-mentioned Act contained to the contrary thereof notwithſtanding.

Corporations may enfranchiſe Lands holden of Manors, ſubject to Leaſe or not, without Application to the Court of Chancery.

III. And be it further enacted, That, for raiſing Money for the Purpoſes of this or of the Acts before mentioned, it ſhall be lawful for all ſuch Bodies Politick or Corporate, or Companies, to enfranchiſe any Meſſuages, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments which are or ſhall be holden by Copy of Court Roll or other Cuſtomary Tenure of any Manor belonging to any ſuch Bodies Politick or Corporate, or Companies, whether ſuch Manor be ſubject to any Leaſe or not, and alſo to ſell and diſpoſe of any Heriots, Fee-Farm Rents, Chief Rents, or Quit Rents, or other Emoluments or Advantages iſſuing or payable from or in reſpect of any Freehold, or Copyhold, or Cuſtomary Manors, Meſſuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or incident thereto and accruing therefrom, without any Application to or Direction of the Court of Chancery in regard thereto, any Thing in the ſaid Acts to the contrary notwithſtanding; ſuch Sales and Enfranchiſements nevertheleſs to be made by and under ſuch Direction and Authority as is required by the ſaid Act, intituled *An Act to render more effectual Two Acts, paſſed in the Thirty-eighth Year of His preſent Majeſty's Reign and the preſent Seſſion of Parliament, for the Redemption and Purchaſe of the Land Tax:* Provided alſo, That in caſe any ſuch Manor ſhall be under Leaſe, it ſhall be lawful for the Commiſſioners appointed under the Authority of the ſaid laſt-mentioned Act to ſettle and adjuſt all Queſtions that may ariſe between any ſuch Body Politick or Corporate and Company ſo ſelling or enfranchiſing as laſt mentioned,

If ſuch Manor be under Leaſe, the Commiſſioners under 39 *Geo.* III, Cap. 21,

and his or their Leſſee or Leſſees, or any *Ceſtuique Truſt* of ſuch Leſſee or Leſſees, touching or concerning any ſuch Enfranchiſement or Sale, and to order and direct a Recompence to be reſerved out of the Purchaſe Money to ſuch Leſſee or Leſſees, and ſuch Perſon or Perſons (if any) as ſhall or may be intereſted or entitled as *Ceſtuique Truſts* or otherwiſe under ſuch Leſſee or Leſſees for any Loſs or Injury that may occur to him, her, or them by any ſuch Sale or Enfranchiſement as aforeſaid.

may ſettle all Queſtions between Corporations and Leſſees.

IV. And be it further enacted, That, in order to raiſe Money for the Purpoſes of the ſaid Acts, it ſhall be lawful for all and every Perſon or Perſons, in the Manner and under the Regulations mentioned and contained therein, reſpectively to ſell and diſpoſe of any Heriots, Services, Emoluments, or Advantages iſſuing or payable to him, her, or them from or in reſpect of any Freehold, or Copyhold, or Cuſtomary Meſſuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or incident thereto, or accruing therefrom.

All Perſons may ſell Heriots, &c.

V. And be it further enacted, That it ſhall be lawful for any ſuch Bodies Politick or Corporate, or Companies, by and under ſuch Direction and Authority as aforeſaid, and alſo for all and every Perſon or Perſons who by the ſaid Act herein-before mentioned are enabled to ſell any Manors, Meſſuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, for the Purpoſe of raiſing Money for the Redemption of Land-Tax, ſubject to ſuch Regulations as by the ſaid Acts or any of them are directed and required, to ſell and diſpoſe of any Freehold Manors or other Hereditaments, for the Purpoſe of raiſing Money for the Redemption or Purchaſe not only of the Land Tax charged on ſuch Freehold Manors and other Hereditaments, but alſo of the Land Tax charged on any Copyhold or Cuſtomary Meſſuages or other Hereditaments, provided ſuch Copyhold or Cuſtomary Meſſuages or Hereditaments be limited or ſubject to the ſame Uſes with the Freehold Eſtates ſo ſold, ſave and except as to ſuch Variations as may be occaſioned by the Difference of the Tenure; and alſo to ſell and diſpoſe of any Copyhold or Cuſtomary Meſſuages or other Hereditaments for the Purpoſe of redeeming the Land Tax charged thereon, and alſo on any Freehold Manors and other Hereditaments, limited or ſubject to the ſame Uſes, ſave and except as aforeſaid.

Freehold Eſtates may be ſold to redeem the Land Tax on them, and on Copyhold Eſtates limited to the ſame Uſes, and contrarywiſe.

VI. And be it further enacted, That where any Land Tax chargeable on any Manors, Meſſuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments which are or ſhall be holden by Copy of Court Roll or other Cuſtomary Tenure of any Manor or Manors belonging to any Body Politick or Corporate, or Company as aforeſaid, by virtue of any Leaſe or Leaſes, ſhall be redeemed or purchaſed by any ſuch Body Politick or Corporate, or Company, under the Powers contained in any of the before-mentioned Acts or this Act, the Amount of the Land Tax ſo redeemed or purchaſed ſhall be conſidered as Rent reſerved to ſuch Body Politick or Corporate, or Company as aforeſaid, out of ſuch Copyhold or Cuſtomary Manors, Meſſuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, and be payable on the ſame Days as ſuch Land Tax was payable before the Redemption thereof; and the ſame Powers ſhall be had, uſed, and enjoyed for the Recovery thereof as for the Recovery of Rent in Arrear.

Where the Land Tax chargeable on Lands on Leaſe belonging to Corporations is purchaſed by them, the Amount to be a Rent Charge on the Lands,

VII. And

Where Part of Lands uſually demiſed in one Leaſe by any Corporation, upon which an entire Rent hath been reſerved, ſhall be ſold, the Commiſſioners under 39 *Geo.* III, Cap. 21, ſhall apportion it amongſt the Parts unſold, or out of which the Whole ſhall be paid if the Reſervation will not admit of Apportionment.

VII. And be it further enacted, That where Part only of divers Manors, Meſſuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments which may have been uſually demiſed together by any ſuch Bodies Politick or Corporate, or Companies, by One Leaſe, upon which an entire ancient and accuſtomed Rent or Rents hath or have been reſerved or made payable, ſhall be ſold for any of the Purpoſes of this Act or of the before-mentioned Acts, it ſhall be lawful for the ſaid Commiſſioners appointed as aforeſaid to apportion ſuch ancient Rent or Rents, and to ſettle and adjuſt the Proportion thereof which ſhall from thenceforth be paid or payable in reſpect of ſuch of the Manors and other Hereditaments comprized in the ſaid Leaſe, which ſhall not be ſold for the Purpoſes aforeſaid; or to ſettle out of what Part or Parts of the Manors, Meſſuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments liable thereto, the Whole of ſuch Rent or Rents, if the Nature of the Reſervation will not admit of Apportionment, ſhall be reſerved or paid in future; and in all Leaſes which ſhall thereafter be granted of ſuch laſt-mentioned Manors and other Hereditaments the Sum or other Article or Thing which ſhall have been ſo ſettled and apportioned ſhall be the Rent to be reſerved thereon; any Law to the contrary notwithſtanding.

Where the Reverſion of Lands holden under any Corporation by Leaſe for Lives, ſubject to any Settlement, ſhall be purchaſed by the Perſon entitled to the Rents, but not to the abſolute Intereſt under the Leaſe, the Reverſion ſhall be ſettled by the Commiſſioners under 39 *Geo.* III, Cap. 21, ſo that the Purchaſe Money and Intereſt may be a Charge thereon for the Benefit of ſuch Purchaſer, &c.

VIII. And be it enacted, That where the Reverſion of any Manors, Meſſuages, Lands, Tenements, or other Hereditaments holden under any ſuch Body Politick or Corporate, or Company as aforeſaid, by virtue of any Leaſe for One or more Life or Lives, or for Years abſolute or determinable on the dropping of One or more Life or Lives, or by Copy of Court Roll or Cuſtomary Tenure for Life or Lives, ſhall be purchaſed under the Powers of this Act or of any of the Acts before mentioned, by or with the proper Monies of the Perſon or Perſons for the Time being beneficially entitled to the Rents and Profits thereof, and where ſuch Leaſe or Leaſes ſhall be ſubject to any Will or Settlement, ſo that ſuch Perſon or Perſons ſhall not, at the Time of purchaſing the ſaid Reverſion thereof, be entitled to the abſolute Intereſt under ſuch Leaſe or Leaſes, then and in every ſuch Caſe the ſaid Reverſion ſhall be ſettled under the Direction of the ſaid Commiſſioners appointed under the ſaid laſt-mentioned Act, ſo and in ſuch Manner as that the Amount of the Money paid for the Purchaſe thereof, with lawful Intereſt, may be a Charge on ſuch Reverſion for the Benefit of the Perſon or Perſons advancing the ſame, his, her, or their Executors, Adminiſtrators, or Aſſigns; and that ſubject thereto the Fee Simple of ſuch Manors, Meſſuages, Lands, Tenements, or other Hereditaments ſhall be ſettled under the like Direction, for the Benefit of the Perſon or Perſons ſo purchaſing the ſame, and of ſuch other Perſons as would have been entitled under ſuch Will or Settlement to the Benefit of any renewed Leaſe or Leaſes for the Time being, and ſo as to be enjoyed by them for ſuch reſpective Eſtates and Intereſts as, conſidering the Alteration of the Tenure, ſhall appear to the ſaid Commiſſioners moſt correſpondent with the Intention of ſuch Will or Settlement; provided, that it ſhall be lawful for the ſaid Commiſſioners to direct an Application to be made to the Court of Chancery, in a ſummary Way, for obtaining Direction as to the Mode of ſettling any ſuch Reverſion where the Caſe ſhall appear to them to be attended with Difficulty.

IX. And

IX. And be it further enacted, That it ſhall be lawful for any Bodies Politick or Corporate, or Companies as aforeſaid, by and under the Direction and Authority of the Commiſſioners appointed under the ſaid laſt-mentioned Act, to contract and agree with their reſpective Leſſees and Tenants holding under any Demiſe by Copy of Court Roll or otherwiſe, who ſhall, under the Powers contained in the ſaid Acts before mentioned, or any of them, have redeemed or purchaſed the Land Tax charged upon the Manors or other Hereditaments comprized in ſuch Demiſes reſpectively, for an Aſſignment to ſuch Bodies Politick or Corporate, or Companies, of the Land Tax which ſhall have been ſo redeemed or purchaſed by their reſpective Leſſees or Tenants, and for the Purpoſe of raiſing Money to purchaſe the Aſſignment thereof, to carry into Execution all and every or any of the Powers which, under and by virtue of the ſaid Acts or any of them, or this Act, are or ſhall be veſted in them, for raiſing Money by Sale of any Manors or other Hereditaments, for the Purpoſe of redeeming or purchaſing any Land Tax, in the Firſt Inſtance, and the Monies raiſed for purchaſing ſuch Aſſignment, or ſo much thereof as ſhall be requiſite for purchaſing the ſame, ſhall and may, under the Order of the ſaid Commiſſioners appointed under the Great Seal, be paid to the Perſon or Perſons aſſigning the ſame, whoſe Receipt or Receipts in purſuance of ſuch Order ſhall be a ſufficient Diſcharge for ſuch Monies, and the Remainder (if any) of ſuch Monies ſhall be paid into the Bank of *England* to the ſame Account, and be applied in the ſame Manner, and the Caſhiers of the Bank, or One of them, are or is hereby required to give ſuch Receipts for the ſame, as if the whole Purchaſe Monies for ſuch Manors, Meſſuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments had been paid into the Bank of *England*.

Corporations, by Authority of the Commiſſioners under 39 *Geo.* III, Cap. 21, may agree with the Leſſees and Tenants for Aſſignments of Land Tax redeemed by them, and for purchaſing it may execute the like Powers as for raiſing Money to redeem the Land Tax in the firſt Inſtance, &c.

X. And be it further enacted, That where any Manors, Meſſuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments ſhall belong to or ſtand limited to the Uſe or for the Benefit of any Bodies Politick or Corporate, or Companies, and any Perſonal Property which now is or ſhall hereafter be inveſted in the Publick Stocks or Funds, or placed out on any Mortgage or other Security, either in the Names of ſuch Bodies Politick or Corporate, or Companies, or in the Name or Names of any Truſtee or Truſtees, or of the Officer or Officers of any Court, ſhall be ſubject to any Truſt, to be laid out in the Purchaſe of other Manors, Meſſuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, to be conveyed or limited to the Uſe or for the Benefit of ſuch Bodies Politick or Corporate, or Companies, then and in ſuch Caſe it ſhall be lawful for ſuch Bodies Politick or Corporate, or Companies, or for ſuch Truſtees or Officers reſpectively, with the Conſent and Approbation of the ſaid Commiſſioners appointed under His Majeſty's Great Seal, (ſuch Conſent and Approbation to be certified under the Hands of any Two or more of them,) to apply ſuch Perſonal Property in or towards the Redemption of the Land Tax charged upon the ſaid Manors, Meſſuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments belonging to ſuch Bodies Politick or Corporate, or Companies, and when any ſuch Perſonal Property ſhall be under the Direction or Control of any Court, the ſame ſhall be ſo applied under the Order of ſuch Court, ſuch Order to be made upon the Production of ſuch Certificate of the ſaid Commiſſioners as aforeſaid; and ſuch Land Tax, when all the Inſtalments ſhall be completed, ſhall ſink and become merged

Perſonal Property inveſted in the Funds, &c. to be laid out in the Purchaſe of Lands for the Benefit of any Corporation may be applied, with the Conſent of the Commiſſioners under the Great Seal, in the Redemption of Land Tax, charged on Eſtates belonging to ſuch Corporation, and if inſufficient to redeem the Whole, may raiſe Money for that Purpoſe.

merged in the ſame Manors, Meſſuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, for the Benefit of the Bodies Politick or Corporate, or Companies, reſpectively entitled thereto; and in caſe ſuch Perſonal Property ſhall be inſufficient for the Redemption of the whole Land Tax charged upon ſuch Manors, Meſſuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, it ſhall be lawful for ſuch Bodies Politick or Corporate, or Companies, to uſe and exerciſe all and every the Powers given to or veſted in them in and by the ſaid Acts herein-before mentioned, or any of them, or this Act, in order to raiſe Money for the Redemption of ſo much of the Land Tax charged on ſuch Manors, Meſſuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, as ſuch Perſonal Property ſhall be inſufficient to redeem.

For Money inveſted in the Three *per Cents.* transferred to the Commiſſioners for the Reduction of the National Debt as the Purchaſe of any Land Tax, the Commiſſioners ſhall grant to the Purchaſers of the Lands a Certificate of the Amount of the Tranſfer, on Production of which at the Bank a Receipt ſhall be given.

XI. And be it further enacted, That where any Money ariſing from the Sale of any Manors, Meſſuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments ſhall not have been or ſhall not be paid into the Bank of *England* purſuant to the Directions of the ſaid Acts, but ſhall have been or ſhall be laid out and inveſted in the Purchaſe of Three Pounds *per Centum* Bank Annuities, transferred or for the Purpoſe of being transferred to the Commiſſioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, as the Conſideration for the Redemption or Purchaſe of any Land Tax chargeable on any Manors, Meſſuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments belonging to any Perſon or Perſons, Bodies Politick or Corporate, or Companies, by whom ſuch firſt-mentioned Manors, Meſſuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments ſhall have been or be hereafter ſold, then and in ſuch Caſe the Commiſſioners for the Reduction of the National Debt or any One or more of them ſhall, and they are hereby authorized and required to accept and receive the Tranſfer of ſuch Three Pounds *per Centum* Bank Annuities, and to grant to any Purchaſer or Purchaſers of ſuch Manors, Meſſuages, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, his, her, or their Agent or Agents, a Certificate under his or their Hand or Hands of the Amount of Three Pounds *per Centum* Bank Annuities which ſhall have been or ſhall be ſo transferred to them as aforeſaid, and upon the Production of ſuch Certificate to any of the Caſhiers of the Bank of *England* he or they ſhall and is or are hereby required to give to any ſuch Purchaſer or Purchaſers ſuch Receipt or Receipts as by the ſaid Acts or any of them is or are required to be given, as well for any Monies which ſhall have been or ſhall be ſo inveſted as aforeſaid, as for any other Monies which may have been or may be paid by him, her, or them, into the Bank of *England* in the Manner required by the ſaid Acts or any of them.

Bank to give Receipts for Monies ariſing from Sales made for the Redemption of Land Tax, to be placed to the Account of the Commiſſioners for Reduction of the National

XII. And be it further enacted, That the Caſhiers of the Bank of *England* ſhall and they are hereby required from Time to Time to receive all Monies tendered at the Bank which ſhall have ariſen or ſhall ariſe from any Sale, Mortgage, or Grant which hath been or ſhall be made for the Redemption or Purchaſe of Land Tax, which Money ſhall, at the Requeſt of the Bodies Politick or Corporate, or Companies, Perſon or Perſons on whoſe Account the ſame ſhall be paid in, be placed to the Account of the Commiſſioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, and forthwith inveſted in the Purchaſe of Three Pounds *per Centum* Bank Annuities in the Names of the Commiſſioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, although no Contract for Redemption or Purchaſe of Land Tax, or Deed of Sale, Mortgage, or Grant, ſhall have been completed at the Time of paying ſuch Monies

into their Hands; and the ſaid Caſhiers afterwards, upon the Production of any ſuch Contract or Contracts, and Deed or Deeds, from Time to Time ſhall and they are hereby required to acknowledge the Transfer of the Stock ſo purchaſed, or any Part thereof.

Debt, though no Contract for ſuch Redemption ſhall be completed, &c.

XIII. And be it further enacted, That where any Manors, Meſſuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments ſhall have been or ſhall be ſold for the Purpoſe of reimburſing any Sums of Money before laid out in the Redemption or Purchaſe of any Land Tax, or of paying off any Sums borrowed for that Purpoſe, or for the Purpoſe of purchaſing the Aſſignment of any Contract or Contracts for Land Tax, the Sum or Sums to ariſe from ſuch Sale or Sales, or ſo much thereof as ſhall be requiſite for reimburſing or paying off any ſuch Sums of Money ſo before laid out or borrowed, or for purchaſing the Aſſignment of any ſuch Contract or Contracts, ſhall not be paid into the Bank of *England*, but ſhall, under the Order of the reſpective Commiſſioners who ſhall have authorized ſuch Sale, be paid to the Perſon or Perſons entitled to the Benefit thereof, whoſe Receipt or Receipts, in purſuance of ſuch Order, ſhall as fully and effectually diſcharge the Purchaſer or Purchaſers of ſuch Manors, Meſſuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, as the Receipt of the Caſhier of the Bank of *England* would have done in caſe the ſame had been paid into the Bank purſuant to the Directions of the former Acts, and the Remainder (if any) of ſuch Sum or Sums ſo ariſing from ſuch Sale or Sales ſhall, in purſuance of ſuch Order, be paid into the Bank of *England* to the ſame Account, and be applied in the ſame Manner, and the Caſhiers of the Bank, or One of them, are or is hereby required to give a Receipt for the ſame, and to cauſe the ſame to be inveſted in the Purchaſe of Three Pounds *per Centum* Bank Annuities, as if the whole Purchaſe Money for ſuch Manors, Meſſuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments had been paid into the Bank of *England* in purſuance of the ſaid Acts.

The Money ariſing from Lands ſold for reimburſing any Sums before laid out in the Redemption of Land Tax or Purchaſe of Aſſignment of any Contract ſhall, under the Order of the Commiſſioners authorizing the Sale, be paid to the Perſons entitled to the Benefit thereof.

XIV. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That in all Caſes where any Money hath been paid into the Bank of *England* to be placed to the Account of the Commiſſioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, as the Whole or Part of the Purchaſe Money for any Manors, Meſſuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments ſold or contracted for to be ſold by any Bodies Politick or Corporate, or Companies, either with or without the Direction and Approbation of the ſaid Commiſſioners appointed under the Great Seal, or by any Perſon or Perſons other than Bodies Politick, Corporate, or Companies, as the Caſe may be, and it ſhall appear to the Satisfaction of the ſaid Commiſſioners appointed under the Great Seal, or of the Commiſſioners for the Affairs of Taxes reſpectively, as the Caſe may be, that ſuch Money ought not to have been ſo paid, then and in all ſuch Caſes it ſhall be lawful to and for the ſaid Commiſſioners appointed under the Great Seal, by Writing under their Hands, or the Hands of any Two of them, and to and for the ſaid Commiſſioners for the Affairs of Taxes reſpectively, to order and direct the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England*, and ſuch Governor and Company are hereby required to repay all ſuch Monies to the Perſon and Perſons who ſhall appear to have paid the ſame into the Bank; and in all Caſes where ſuch Money ſhall have been already inveſted in the Purchaſe of Three Pounds *per Centum* Bank Annuities in the Names of the Commiſſioners for the Reduction

Where Money has been improperly paid into the Bank to be placed to the Account of the Commiſſioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, the Commiſſioners under the Great Seal, or the Commiſſioners of Taxes reſpectively, may order the Bank to repay it.

Reduction of the National Debt, upon a Certificate ſigned by any Two or more of the ſaid Commiſſioners appointed under the Great Seal, or by the ſaid Commiſſioners for the Affairs of Taxes, as the Caſe may be, that ſuch Money ought not to have been ſo inveſted, it ſhall be lawful to and for the ſaid Commiſſioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, or any One or more of them, and they are hereby required to transfer the Stock which has been ſo bought by or transferred to them to the Perſon or Perſons who ſhall have paid ſuch Money into Bank, and with which Money ſuch Stock had been ſo purchaſed, and the Receipt and Receipts of ſuch Perſon and Perſons ſhall be ſufficient Diſcharges for ſuch Monies or Stock.

Where the Money ariſing from the Sale of Lands belonging to any Corporation ſhall not be ſufficient to redeem the Whole of the Land Tax, the Bank may receive Money offered to make up the Deficiency.

XV. And be it further enacted, That where any Manors, Meſſuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments belonging to any Bodies Politick or Corporate, or Companies, ſhall be ſold to raiſe Money for the Redemption of Land Tax, and it ſhall afterwards appear that the Money ariſing from ſuch Sale or Sales ſhall not be ſufficient to redeem the Whole of the Land Tax charged on the Manors, Meſſuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments belonging to ſuch Bodies Politick or Corporate, or Companies, but that ſuch Bodies Politick or Corporate, or Companies, are willing and deſirous to pay into the Bank ſuch further Sum or Sums as may be neceſſary to make up the Whole of the Money requiſite to redeem ſuch Land Tax, then it ſhall be lawful for the Caſhier or Caſhiers of the Bank of *England*, and they are hereby required to give a Receipt or Receipts for all ſuch Sum or Sums as may be offered to be paid to them to make up ſuch Deficiencies, and to apply ſuch Monies for the Purpoſe or Purpoſes of completing ſuch Redemption.

Where Part of Lands are ſold for redeeming the Land Tax on the Whole, equally affected by Truſts, the Court of Chancery, and of Seſſion reſpectively, may order the Parts ſold to be conveyed, freed from ſuch Truſts; but not from any which do not equally affect the Whole of the Lands.

XVI. And be it further enacted, That where any Truſts, Mortgages, Liens, or Incumbrances ſhall equally affect or be a Charge upon divers Manors, Meſſuages, Lands, Tenements, or other Hereditaments, Part whereof ſhall be propoſed to be ſold for the Purpoſe of redeeming the Land Tax chargeable on the Manors, Meſſuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments ſo equally ſubject and liable to ſuch Truſts, Mortgages, Liens, or Incumbrances, then and in ſuch Caſe it ſhall be lawful for the Court of Chancery in *England* and the Court of Seſſion in *Scotland*, if ſuch Courts reſpectively ſhall be ſatisfied that ſuch of the ſaid Manors, Meſſuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, as ſhall not be propoſed to be ſold for the Purpoſes aforeſaid, ſhall be a ſufficient Security for the Object of ſuch Truſts, or for the Payment of ſuch Mortgages, Liens, or other Incumbrances, to order and direct that ſuch of the ſaid Manors, Meſſuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, as ſhall be ſold for the Purpoſes aforeſaid, ſhall be conveyed to the Purchaſer or Purchaſers thereof, freed and diſcharged from ſuch Truſts, Mortgages, Charges, Liens, and other Incumbrances as aforeſaid, and ſuch Purchaſer or Purchaſers ſhall, after the Inrolment or Regiſtery of the Conveyance or Conveyances made under ſuch Order or Direction as aforeſaid, hold and enjoy the ſaid Manors, Meſſuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments purchaſed by him, her, or them, freed and abſolutely diſcharged therefrom.

Application of Monies ariſing from

XVII. Provided always, That nothing in this Act or in any ſuch Order or Direction as aforeſaid contained ſhall extend or be conſtrued to extend to

discharge the Manors, Messuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, which shall be so sold for the Purposes aforesaid, from any Trusts, Mortgages, Liens, or Incumbrances which shall not equally affect or be a Charge upon the Whole of the Manors, Messuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, the Land Tax of which shall be redeemed by the Monies arising from the Sale of a Part thereof; but all such last-mentioned Trusts, Mortgages, Liens, and other Incumbrances shall remain and continue chargeable upon the Manors and other Hereditaments, which shall be sold in the same Manner as if this Act had not been passed, and the Monies to arise from such Sales shall, under the Direction of the said Courts respectively, be applied in the same Manner in or towards the Redemption of Land Tax, as by the said Acts herein-before mentioned and this Act is directed; and if there shall be any Surplus the same shall, under the like Direction, be applied in or towards the Discharge of such first-mentioned Mortgages, Liens, or Incumbrances, or otherwise be laid out and invested in the Purchase of other Manors, Messuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments which shall be limited for and upon the like Uses, Trusts, Intents, and Purposes, and subject to the same Incumbrances as the Manors, Messuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments which shall be so sold stood limited.

Sales under the Direction of the Courts.

XVIII. And be it further enacted, That all Bodies Corporate and Politick, Companies, and Persons in the said recited Acts mentioned, who by the said Acts or any of them are empowered to contract for the Redemption of the Land Tax charged on any Manors, Messuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments of which they shall be in Possession, or to the Rents or Profits of which they shall be beneficially entitled, or in which they shall have any Estate or Interest in Remainder, Reversion, or Expectancy, or being Substitute Heirs of Entail shall be entitled in their Order to succeed thereto, in Preference to any other Bodies, Corporations, or Companies, or other Persons whatsoever not having an Estate or Interest therein, and the respective Committees, Curators, Tutors, Guardians, or Trustees of such Persons on their Behalf, shall have and be entitled to such and the like Benefit of Preference in the Redemption of such Land Tax over such Bodies, Corporations, Companies, or Persons, from and after the said Twenty-fifth Day of *June* One thousand seven hundred and ninety-nine, until and upon the Twenty-fifth Day of *December* One thousand seven hundred and ninety-nine.

Corporations, &c. empowered by recited Acts to contract for Redemption of Land Tax in Preference to others, to have the like Preference until *Dec.* 25, 1799.

XIX. And be it further enacted, That where any Bodies Politick or Corporate, or Companies as aforesaid, shall have entered or shall hereafter enter into any Treaty for the Sale of any of their Manors, Messuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, for the Purposes of this Act and of the said Acts before mentioned, or shall have made or shall hereafter make any Application to the said Commissioners appointed by His Majesty under the Great Seal, for their Sanction and Approbation of any Sale for the Purposes aforesaid, and shall obtain a Certificate under the Hands of any Two of the same Commissioners, that in their Opinion such Bodies Politick or Corporate, or Companies, are proceeding or intend to proceed *bonâ fide* and with reasonable Diligence to carry into Execution any such Sale for the Purposes aforesaid, (which Certificate shall specify for what Period of Time the same shall run and operate,) it shall be lawful for such Bodies Politick

Where Corporations have treated for Sale of Lands, or on Application to the Commissioners under the Great Seal have obtained a Certificate that Diligence is used by them for

effecting the Sale, they may contract for the Redemption of Land Tax, after *June* 25, 1799, in Preference to others, notwithstanding their having given Notice of Intention to redeem it.

tick and Corporate, or Companies, during the Continuance of such Period, (notwithstanding any Thing in any of the said Acts contained to the contrary,) to contract and agree for the Redemption of the Land Tax charged on their Manors, Messuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, at any Time after the said Twenty-fifth Day of *June*, in Preference to any Person or Persons, Bodies Politick or Corporate, or Companies, having or holding such Manors, Messuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments under any Demise made by Copy of Court Roll or otherwise, by such first-mentioned Bodies Politick or Corporate, or Companies, for Lives, or any Term or Terms for Years determinable on Lives, or for Years absolute, notwithstanding the Person or Persons, Bodies Politick or Corporate, or Companies, having or holding such Manors, Messuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments under any such Demise shall have given Notice of their Intention to redeem such Land Tax: Provided always, That such Bodies Politick and Corporate, or Companies, hereby enabled to contract, with such Preference as aforesaid, shall produce such Certificate as aforesaid to the Commissioners appointed under the King's Sign Manual for the County where the Manors, Messuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, the Land Tax whereof shall be proposed to be redeemed, shall be situate.

Corporations having such Preference to produce such Certificate to the Commissioners under the King's Sign Manual.

This Act and recited Acts to be construed together as one Act,

XX. And be it further enacted, That all and every the Provisions of this Act shall, in the Execution of the above-mentioned Acts, be used and applied and construed in like Manner as if the same Provisions were specially enacted in the said Acts; and all and every the Provisions of the said Acts, in the Execution of this Act, except where the same are hereby expressly varied, shall be used and applied, extended and construed, in like Manner as if the same Provisions (except as aforesaid) were specially enacted in this Act.

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