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An Act to indemnify all Persons who have printed, published, or dispersed, or who shall publish or disperse, any Papers printed under the Authority of any Head Officer of State, or of Publick Boards, or other Publick Authorities, from all Penalties incurred by Reason of the Name and Place of Abode of the Printer of such Papers not being printed thereon. [27th *June* 1801.]

WHEREAS in an Act passed in the Thirty-ninth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled, *An Act for the more effectual Suppression of Societies established for seditious and treasonable Purposes, and for the better preventing treasonable and seditious Practices*; certain Provisions are contained to restrain the printing or publishing of any Papers or Books whatsoever, which should be meant or intended to be published or dispersed without the Name and Place of Abode of the Printer thereof being printed thereon, with a certain Penalty on the Person printing, publishing, or dispersing, or assisting in publishing or dispersing the same, contrary to the said Act: And whereas by an Act passed in the Thirty-ninth and Fortieth Years of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled, *An Act to indemnify all Persons who have printed, published, or dispersed, or who shall publish or disperse any Papers printed under the Authority of the Commissioners or Head Officers of any Publick Boards*

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39 Geo. III, Cap. 79.

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from all Penalties incurred by reaſon of the Name and Place of Abode of the Printer of ſuch Papers not being printed thereon, the Printers and Publiſhers of certain Papers printed by Order or under the Authority of certain publick Offices and Boards therein mentioned, without the Name of the Printer thereon, were diſcharged and exempted from all Penalties incurred before the paſſing of the ſaid laſt mentioned Act; and it is expedient to extend the Proviſions of the ſaid Act, and alſo to indemnify Perſons tranſacting the Buſineſs of other publick Offices: 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,

Perſons who have printed any Papers under the Authority of the Head Officers of any of the principal Offices of State, or of any Board of Revenue, &c. or who have publiſhed them, or ſhall hereafter diſperſe any Paper ſo printed before the paſſing of this Act, ſhall be indemnified from any Penalties incurred by reaſon of any Offence againſt the recited Act.

That every Perſon who ſhall, before the paſſing of this Act, have printed any Paper whatſoever, by Order or under the Authority of any Head Officer or Officers, of any of the principal Offices of State, or of any Office or Board relating to any Branch of the Revenue, or to the Army, Navy, Marines, Artillery, or Ordnance, in the Diſcharge of the Duties of any ſuch Office, or by Order, or under the Authority of any Officer or Perſon whatſoever employed by His Majeſty, or under His Authority, in Diſcharge of any publick Duty or Employment, or ſhall have publiſhed or diſperſed, or aſſiſted in publiſhing or diſperſing, or ſhall hereafter diſperſe, or aſſiſt in diſperſing, any Paper whatſoever that ſhall have been printed before the paſſing of this Act, by ſuch Order or under ſuch Authority as aforeſaid, ſhall be and is hereby declared to be freed and diſcharged of and from all Suits, Informations, Proſecutions, Judgements, Fines, and Penalties whatſoever, commenced, proſecuted, adjudged, or incurred, or which may be commenced, proſecuted, adjudged, or incurred, for or by Reaſon of any Offence alledged to have been committed againſt the ſaid firſt recited Act, by Occaſion of ſuch printing, publiſhing, or diſperſing, or of aſſiſting in publiſhing or diſperſing any ſuch Paper as aforeſaid, as fully, freely, and effectually, as if the ſame had been printed according to the Proviſions of the ſaid Act.

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