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An Act to explain and amend an Act, made in the laſt Seſſion of Parliament, intituled, ***An Act to amend an Act, made in the Twenty-ſecond Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, for the better Relief and Employment of the Poor; ſo far as relates to the Payment of the Debts incurred for building any Poor Houſe.*** **[27th *July* 1803.]**

WHEREAS by an Act, made in the Twenty-ſecond Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, intituled, *An Act for the better Relief and Employment of the Poor*, it was among other Things enacted, that in caſe any Money ſhould be borrowed under the Powers of the ſaid Act, for the building any Poor Houſe or Workhouſe, or purchaſing any Land neceſſary to be uſed for that Purpoſe, the Aſſeſſments for the Relief of the Poor ſhould continue at the ſame Rate they were when ſuch Poor Houſe or Workhouſe was firſt eſtabliſhed, until the Debts ſo contracted, and the Intereſt thereof, ſhould be fully diſcharged: And whereas by an Act, made in the Forty-ſecond Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, intituled, *An Act to amend an Act, made in the Twenty-ſecond Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, for the*

22 Geo. 3. c. 83.

42 Geo. 3. c. 74.

the better Relief and Employment of the Poor, ſo far as relates to the Payment of the Debts incurred for building any Poor Houſe, it was enacted, that the Guardians of the Poor of any Pariſh who had erected any Poor Houſe or Workhouſe, under the Powers of the ſaid therein recited Act, ſhould, with the Conſent of the ſeveral Perſons to whom the ſame ſhould be due and payable, yearly and every Year, pay off and diſcharge any Part of the Money borrowed under the Powers of the ſaid recited Act of the Twenty-ſecond Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, not being leſs than One-Twentieth Part thereof, beſides the Intereſt which might be payable on the Sum remaining undiſcharged; and in caſe ſuch Sum ſo to be paid off ſhould not in any One Year be ſufficient to diſcharge any One of the Notes for Fifty Pounds iſſued purſuant to the Directions of the ſaid recited Act, for ſecuring the Money borrowed under the Authority thereof, the ſame ſhould from Time to Time remain in the Hands of the Overſeers of the Poor of ſuch Pariſh until it amounted to a ſufficient Sum to pay off and diſcharge any of the ſaid Notes: And whereas Doubts are entertained whether the ſaid recited Act of the Forty-ſecond Year of His preſent Majeſty's Reign has effectually relieved ſuch Pariſhes as have adopted the Proviſion in the ſaid Act of the Twenty-ſecond Year of His preſent Majeſty's Reign from the burthenſome Effects thereof; 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 ſo much of the ſaid recited Act of the Twenty-ſecond Year of His preſent Majeſty's Reign, as requires that the Aſſeſſments for the Relief of the Poor ſhall continue at the ſame Rate as they were when any Poor Houſe or Workhouſe was firſt eſtabliſhed under the Authority of the ſaid recited Act, until the Debt contracted, and the Intereſt thereof, ſhould be fully diſcharged, ſhall be, and the ſame is hereby repealed.

So much of 22 Geo. 3. c. 83. as requires that the Aſſeſſments ſhall continue at the ſame Rate as they were when any Workhouſe was eſtabliſhed, until the Debt ſhould be diſcharged, ſhall be repealed.

II. And be it enacted, That ſuch Aſſeſſments ſhall and may from Time to Time be diminiſhed to ſuch Amount as ſhall be deemed proper and neceſſary: Provided always, that the Guardians of the Poor, for the Time being, of every ſuch Pariſh, ſhall, yearly and every Year, pay off or provide for a Twentieth Part at leaſt of any Monies which ſhall have been borrowed for the Purpoſe aforeſaid, under the Powers of the ſaid Act of the Twenty-ſecond Year of His preſent Majeſty's Reign, and alſo ſhall duly keep down the Intereſt of all Monies which ſhall be ſo borrowed; any Thing in the ſaid recited Acts of the Twenty-ſecond and Forty-ſecond Years of His preſent Majeſty's Reign, or either of them, contained to the contrary notwithſtanding.

Aſſeſſments may be diminiſhed.

Guardians of the Poor ſhall pay off a Twentieth Part of the borrowed Money under 22 Geo. 3. c. 83.

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