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An Act to facilitate, and render more eaſy, the Tranſportation of Offenders. [29th *December* 1802.]

WHEREAS it is expedient that Proviſion ſhould be made for transferring the Services of Offenders tranſported in His Majeſty's Ships or Veſſels, in Caſes where no Contract is entered into, or Security given in reſpect of ſuch Tranſportation, and that His Majeſty ſhould therefore be empowered to nominate and appoint Perſons to have a Property in the Service of ſuch Offenders: 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 whenever His Majeſty ſhall be pleaſed to give Orders for the Tranſportation in any Ships or Veſſels belonging to His Majeſty of any Offender or Offenders who already have, or hereafter may be ſentenced to be tranſported to any Place or Places within His Majeſty's Dominions beyond the Seas, it ſhall be lawful for His Majeſty, by any Order under His Royal Sign Manual, to give, if He ſhall think fit, to any Perſon or Perſons nominated and appointed for that Purpoſe in ſuch Order, a Property in the Service of any ſuch Offender or Offenders, for ſuch Term or Terms of Life or Years, or any Part thereof reſpectively, for which ſuch Offender or Offenders

His Majeſty may by His Sign Manual, give a Property in the Service of Offenders tranſported in Ships belonging to His Majeſty, without Security being given for their Tranſportation.

was or were ordered to be tranſported, as to His Majeſty ſhall ſeem fit; and on ſuch Nomination and Appointment, ſuch Offender or Offenders may be delivered to the Perſon or Perſons ſo nominated and appointed, without any Security being required or given for the Tranſportation of ſuch Offender or Offenders; and every Perſon ſo nominated and appointed, and his or their Aſſigns, ſhall have the like Property in the Service of ſuch Offender or Offenders, as if ſuch Perſon or Perſons had contracted and given Security to tranſport ſuch Offender or Offenders, in the Manner required by the Act of the Twenty-fourth Year of His Majeſty's Reign, intituled, *An Act for the effectual Tranſportation of Felons and other Offenders, and to authorize the Removal of Priſoners in certain Caſes; and for other Purpoſes therein mentioned,* or any other Law now in force; any Thing in the ſaid Act, or any other Act or Acts, to the contrary notwithſtanding.

24 Geo. 3. c. 56.

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