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GEORGII III. REGIS.

CAP. XXVI.

An Act for enabling His Majeſty to ſettle an Annuity on His Royal Highneſs the Prince of *Wales*, to continue until the Fifth Day of *July* One thouſand eight hundred and ſix; and for repealing ſo much of an Act, made in the Thirty-fifth Year of the Reign of His Majeſty, as directs the annual Payment of Thirteen thouſand Pounds out of the Revenues of the Duchy of *Cornwall* to the Commiſſioners appointed by the ſaid Act.

[24th *March* 1803.]

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

WHEREAS Your Majeſty, by Your moſt gracious Meſſage to Your faithful Commons, has been pleaſed to declare that Your Majeſty, having taken into Conſideration the Period which has elapſed ſince the Adoption of the Arrangements which were deemed by the Wiſdom of Parliament to be neceſſary for the Diſcharge of the Incumbrances of the Prince of *Wales*, and having adverted to the Progreſs which has been made in carrying them into Effect, recommended the preſent Situation of the Prince to the Attention of Your faithful Commons, in the Perſuaſion that they would be diſpoſed to take ſuch Meaſures as might be calculated to promote the Comfort and ſupport the Dignity of ſo diſtinguiſhed a Branch of the Royal Family: We, Your Majeſty's moſt

dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, in Parliament aſſembled, do therefore moſt humbly beſeech 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 and may be lawful to and for the King's moſt Excellent Majeſty, by any Warrant under His Royal Sign Manual, to give and grant to His ſaid Royal Highneſs the Prince of *Wales* One Annuity of Sixty thouſand Pounds of lawful Money of *Great Britain*; which Annuity of Sixty thouſand Pounds may commence and take Effect from the Fifth Day of *January* One thouſand eight hundred and three, and continue from thenceforth until the Fifth Day of *July* One thouſand eight hundred and ſix, and ſhall be paid and payable at the Four moſt uſual Days of Payment in the Year; *videlicet*, the Fifth Day of *April*, the Fifth Day of *July*, the Tenth Day of *October*, and the Fifth Day of *January* in every Year, by even and equal Portions, the Firſt Quarterly Payment thereof to be made on the Fifth Day of *April* One thouſand eight hundred and three; and that the ſaid Annuity of Sixty thouſand Pounds ſhall and may, by ſuch Warrant, be directed to be iſſued and be payable out of and charged and chargeable upon the Conſolidated Fund of *Great Britain*, during the Period herein-before mentioned, (after paying or reſerving ſufficient to pay all ſuch Sums as ſhall have been directed to be paid out of the ſame by any Act or Acts of Parliament made previous to the Time of paſſing this Act, and with a Preference to all other Payments which ſhall or may, at any Time or Times after the paſſing of this Act, be charged upon and payable out of the ſaid Fund).

His Majeſty may grant to the Prince of *Wales* an Annuity of 60,000*l.*, to commence from *Jan.* 5, 1803, and continue till *July* 5, 1806, to be payable Quarterly out of the Conſolidated Fund,

II. And be it further enacted, That the ſaid Annuity of Sixty thouſand Pounds ſhall be paid and payable at the Receipt of His Majeſty's Exchequer, out of the ſaid Fund; and the Auditor of the ſaid Receipt ſhall, and he is hereby required by virtue of ſuch Warrant, to make forth and paſs Debentures, from Time to Time, for paying the ſaid Annuity as the ſame ſhall become due and payable, without any Fees or Charges to be demanded or taken for paying the ſame, or any Part thereof; and the Acquittance or Acquittances, Receipt or Receipts, of His ſaid Royal Highneſs ſhall be a good and ſufficient Diſcharge for the Payment thereof; and the ſaid Debentures to be made forth and paſſed as aforeſaid, ſhall be a ſufficient Authority to the ſeveral and reſpective Officers of the Receipt of the Exchequer, now and for the Time being, for the Payment of the ſaid Annuity during the Continuance of the ſame, without any further or other Warrant to be ſued for, had, or obtained in that Behalf.

at the Exchequer, without Fees,

III. And be it further enacted, That the ſaid Annuity of Sixty thouſand Pounds, and every Part thereof, ſhall be free and clear from all Taxes, Rates, and Aſſeſſments, and all other Charges whatſoever impoſed, or to be impoſed, by Authority of Parliament, or otherwiſe, nor to any other Charge whatſoever; any Law, Cuſtom, or Uſage to the contrary thereof in anywiſe notwithſtanding.

and to be free from all Taxes;

IV. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That in the Event of the Demiſe of the Crown during the Continuance of the ſaid Annuity, then and in that Caſe the ſaid Annuity ſhall from thenceforth wholly ceaſe and determine.

but on Demiſe of the Crown, Annuity to ceaſe.

V. And

V. And whereas by an Act made in the Thirty-fifth Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, intituled, *An Act for enabling His Majeſty to ſettle an Annuity on His Royal Highneſs the Prince of* Wales, *during the joint Lives of His Majeſty and of His ſaid Royal Highneſs; for making Proviſion out of His Revenues for the Payment of any Debts that may be due from His Royal Highneſs; for preventing the Accumulation of Debts in future, and for regulating the Mode of Expenditure of the ſaid Revenues;* it is among other Things enacted, that the Receiver General, or other proper Officer of His Royal Highneſs the Prince of *Wales* as Duke of *Cornwall*, to whom the Receipt of the Revenues of the ſaid Duchy ſhould be entruſted, ſhould, from Time to Time, pay to the Commiſſioners appointed by the ſaid recited Act the yearly Sum of Thirteen thouſand Pounds out of the Rents, Iſſues, and Profits of the ſaid Duchy, to be applied to the Purpoſes directed by the ſaid Act: And whereas it is expedient that ſuch Payment ſhould no longer be continued, be it therefore enacted, That ſo much of the ſaid Act as directs the Payment and Application of the ſaid Sum of Thirteen thouſand Pounds out of the Revenues of the ſaid Duchy of *Cornwall*, in the Manner and to the Purpoſes therein mentioned, ſhall be, and the ſame is hereby repealed; and that the Payment and Application of the ſaid Revenues, in the Manner in the ſaid Act directed, ſhall wholly ceaſe, and be deemed, taken, and conſtrued, to have determined on and from the Fifth Day of *January* One thouſand eight hundred and three.

35 *Geo.* 3, c. 129.

So much of recited Act as directs the Application of 13,000*l.* out of the Revenue of the Duchy of *Cornwall*, ſhall be repealed.

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