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GEORGII III. REGIS.

CAP. CXI.

An Act for authorizing His Majesty in Council to allow, during the present War, and for Six Months after the Ratification of a Definitive Treaty of Peace, the Importation and Exportation of certain Goods and Commodities in Neutral Ships, into and from His Majesty's Territories in the *West Indies* and Continent of *South America*. [21st *July* 1806.]

WHEREAS during the late and the present War, Emergencies have at various Times arisen essentially affecting the necessary Supply of the *British West India* Islands, and of Lands and Territories belonging to His Majesty on the Continent of *South America*; and it has been found expedient and necessary, for the Trade and Commerce of the said Islands, Lands, and Territories, and for the Support of the Inhabitants thereof, that certain Articles should be allowed to be imported into and exported from the said Islands, Lands, and Territories, in Ships and Vessels belonging to Subjects of States in Amity with His Majesty; and Permission has accordingly from Time to Time been granted to this Effect by His Majesty's Governors or Lieutenant Governors of the said Islands and Territories: And whereas the several Orders, Proclamations, and Acts made, issued, and done in that Behalf, being against the Provisions of divers Acts of Parliament, have nevertheless, on Account of the Expediency and Necessity thereof, been from Time to Time

justified and indemnified by divers Acts passed for that Purpose: And whereas it is proper that Provision should be made for meeting such Emergencies in future, without the Necessity of frequent Violations of the Law by His Majesty's Officers appointed and sworn to administer and execute the same; 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 from and after the passing of this Act, it shall and may be lawful for His Majesty, and His Heirs and Successors, by and with the Advice of His and their Privy Council, to permit or to authorize the Governors and Lieutenant Governors of the said Islands and Territories, in such Manner and under such Restrictions as to His Majesty, by and with the Advice of His Privy Council, shall seem fit to permit, when the Necessity of the Case shall appear to His Majesty, with the Advice of His Privy Council, to require it, from Time to Time during the present War, and for Six Months after the Ratification of a Treaty of Peace, the Importation into and the Exportation from any Island in the *West Indies*, (in which Description the *Bahama* Islands and the *Bermuda* or *Somer* Islands are included) or any Lands or Territories on the Continent of *South America* to His Majesty belonging, of any such Articles, Goods, and Commodities, as shall be mentioned in such Order of His Majesty in Council, in any Ships or Vessels belonging to the Subjects of any State in Amity with His Majesty, in such Manner as His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, by and with the Advice aforesaid, shall direct; provided such Ships or Vessels shall duly enter into, report, deliver their respective Cargoes, and re-load at such Ports only where regular Custom Houses shall have been established.

His Majesty may authorise the Importation and Exportation of such Goods as shall be mentioned in Order in Council, into and from the West Indies and Continent of South America, in Vessels belonging to States in Amity with His Majesty.

II. Provided always, and be it enacted, That nothing in this Act shall be construed to extend to the Importation of any Articles, Goods, or Commodities, Staves and Lumber excepted, which are not the Growth or Produce of the Country to which such Ships or Vessels as are provisionally permitted under this Act to import them shall belong; nor to the Export in such Foreign Vessels of any Sugar, Indigo, Cotton, Wool, Coffee, or Cocoa.

Restriction as to the Importation of certain Articles.

III. And be it further enacted, That all Acts done by virtue of the above mentioned Permission or Authority, shall be valid and legal, any former Law or Statute to the contrary notwithstanding.

Acts done by virtue of this Act shall be valid.

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