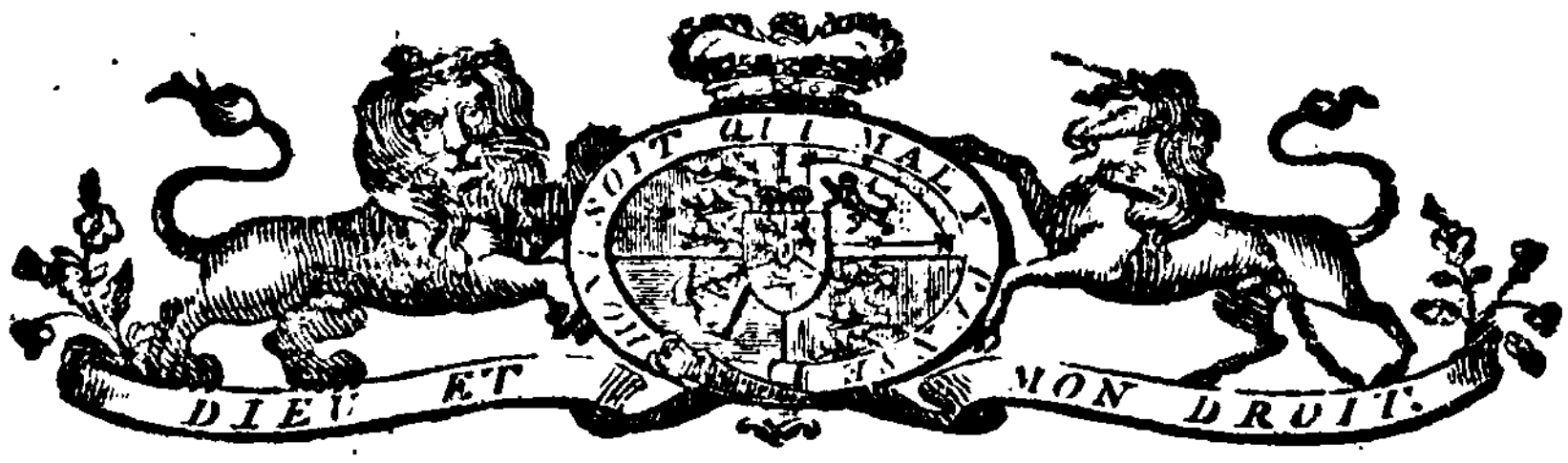


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GEORGII III. REGIS.

C A P. CXXXIV.

An Act to amend the Laws relating to the marking of Bags and Pockets of Hops. [30th *June* 1808.]

WHEREAS the Laws in force at and immediately before the passing of this Act, for preventing Frauds and Irregularities in the marking of Bags and Pockets, to be used for bagging Hops, have been found insufficient for the good Purposes thereby intended, and that further Provisions are become necessary; 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 Twenty-fifth Day of *July* One thousand eight hundred and eight, in Addition to the Particulars required by Law to be marked on the Outside of every Bag and Pocket of Hops, there shall be marked by the Owner, Planter, or Grower of Hops, in the Form and Manner in which the before mentioned Particulars are required to be marked, the Name of the Parish and of the County in which the Hops put into any such Bags or Pockets were or shall be grown; and if any Owner, Planter, or Grower of Hops, shall presume to put Hops into any Bag or Pocket before the same shall have been marked in the Form and Manner by this Act directed and required, he, she, or they shall for each and every such Offence forfeit Twenty Pounds.

From July 25, 1808, in Addition to the Particulars required, the Owner shall mark on every Pocket of Hops the Parish and County where grown, on Penalty of 20l.

Penalty on Persons counterfeiting or erasing the Marks on Pockets of Hops 20 l.

II. And be it further enacted, That if any Person or Persons shall counterfeit or wilfully remove, alter, erase, or obliterate, or cause, procure, or suffer to be counterfeited, removed, altered, erased, or obliterated, any of the Marks directed and required by this Act, or by any other Act or Acts of Parliament in force at and immediately before the passing of this Act, to be put or marked on Bags or Pockets of Hops, all and every Person or Persons so offending shall for every such Offence forfeit Twenty Pounds.

How Penalties shall be recovered and applied.

III. And be it further enacted, That all Fines, Penalties, and Forfeitures imposed by this Act, shall be sued for, recovered, levied, or mitigated by such Ways, Means, or Methods as any Fine, Penalty, or Forfeiture may be sued for, recovered, levied, or mitigated by any Law or Laws of Excise, or by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint, or Information in any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at *Westminster*, or in the Court of Exchequer in *Scotland* respectively, and that One Moiety of every such Fine, Penalty, or Forfeiture, shall be to His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, and the other Moiety to him or them who shall inform, discover, or sue for the same.

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