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GEORGII III. REGIS.

CAP. XCVI.

An Act to provide for a durable Allowance of Superannuation to the Officers of Excise, under certain Restrictions. [10th *June* 1809.]

WHEREAS no Provision whatever is made by the Laws now in force for superannuated and worn-out Officers, and other Persons employed in the Revenue of Excise, to the great Discouragement of such Officers and other Persons, and the manifest Injury of the Revenue; for Remedy thereof 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 from and after the passing of this Act, it shall and may be lawful to and for the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, or any Three or more of them for the Time being, by Warrant under their Hands, to grant and allow out of the Revenue of Excise of *England*, to any Officer or other Person who shall have been employed in the said Revenue for and during the Space of Ten Years at the least, and who shall by Age or Infirmity have become incapable of properly executing or performing the Duties of his Office, a Pension, Annuity, or yearly Payment not exceeding Three-fourth Parts of the Average Annual Amount of the Salary which shall have been received by such Officer or other Person during the whole Period of Seven Years preceding the Resignation of such Officer or other Person.

Commissioners of the Treasury empowered to grant Annuities to Officers of the Excise superannuated.

II. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, or any Three or more of them for the Time being, to grant and allow out of the

Pensions to Officers meeting with Accidents.

the ſaid Revenue of Exciſe to any ſuch Officer or other Perſon as aforeſaid, who, by Accident met with in the Execution of his Duty, ſhall be rendered totally incapable of performing the ſame, notwithſtanding ſuch Officer or other Perſon may not have been employed in the Revenue of Exciſe the full Time before mentioned, a Penſion, Annuity, or yearly Payment not exceeding Three-fourth Parts of the annual Amount of the yearly Salary actually received by or payable to ſuch Officer or other Perſon, at the Time when ſuch Officer or other Perſon ſhall have met with the Accident by which he ſhall have been ſo rendered incapable of executing or performing his Duty: Provided alſo, that nothing herein contained ſhall extend, or be deemed or conſtrued to extend to authorize or empower the Lords Commiſſioners of His Majeſty's Treaſury to grant or allow any Penſion, Annuity, or yearly Payment out of the Revenue of Exciſe, to any Officer or other Perſon whatever, except ſuch Officer or other Perſon only who ſhall at the Time of his Reſignation have been in the fair and *bonâ fide* Receipt, payable out of the ſaid Revenue of Exciſe, of at leaſt One hundred and eighty Pounds *per Annum*, nor in the Caſe of any Perſon under the Rank of a Commiſſioner, until it ſhall have been certified to the ſaid Lords Commiſſioners, under the Hands of the Commiſſioners of Exciſe, or the major Part of them for the Time being, that ſuch Officer or other Perſon claiming or ſoliciting any ſuch Penſion, Annuity, or yearly Payment as aforeſaid, is from Age or Infirmity become incapable of properly executing or performing the Duty of ſuch his Office or Station, and that he has been employed in the Service of the ſaid Revenue at leaſt Seven Years, and what yearly Salary ſuch Officer or other Perſon ſhall have received for and during the preceding Seven Years, and that ſuch Officer or other Perſon had, during his Employment, ſupported the Character of having faithfully diſcharged the Duties of his Office or Station, or, in caſe of Accident as aforeſaid, that ſuch Officer or other Perſon has been by ſuch Accident rendered totally unable to execute or perform the Duty of ſuch his Office or Station; any Thing in this Act to the contrary notwithſtanding.

For Improvement of Superannuation Fund already eſtabliſhed.

III. And whereas, for the Relief and Support of the inferior Officers of Exciſe when ſuperannuated or worn-out, certain Deductions have been for many Years laſt paſt, and are now made under the Directions and Authority of Warrants of the Lords Commiſſioners of His Majeſty's Treaſury, out of the Salaries of Officers and other Perſons employed in the Revenue of Exciſe: And whereas the Commiſſioners of Exciſe, to whom the Money ariſing by ſuch Deductions is entruſted, are prevented from making the greateſt Advantage thereof, for want of a Power to veſt in ſome of the joint Stocks of Annuities transferrable at the Bank of *England*, ſuch Part thereof as may not be immediately required to be expended; be it therefore enacted, That it ſhall and may be lawful to and for the ſaid Commiſſioners of Exciſe, or the major Part of them for the Time being, to veſt in the Purchaſe of any Share or Shares of any of the joint Stocks of Annuities transferrable at the Bank of *England*, any Sum or Sums of Money which ſhall have been or ſhall be collected, granted, or appropriated for the Relief and Support of ſuch ſuperannuated or worn-out inferior Officers of Exciſe as aforeſaid, and that all and every the Share and Shares of any of the joint Stocks of Annuities transferrable at the Bank of *England*, which ſhall from Time to Time be ſo bought and purchaſed by the ſaid Commiſſioners of Exciſe, or the major Part of them for the Time being as

aforeſaid, ſhall be transferred to the Account and kept in the Books of the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England*, as the Share and Shares of and in ſuch joint Stocks reſpectively, of "the Truſtees of the Fund, for the Relief and Support of ſuperannuated or worn-out inferior Officers of Exciſe;" and that the Two Commiſſioners of Exciſe for the Time being who ſhall be appointed by Warrant under His Majeſty's Sign Manual to preſide at all Meetings of the Board of Exciſe, and the Secretary to the ſaid Board for the Time being, ſhall have the ſole Management, Diſpoſal, Sale, and Transfer of all the ſaid Share and Shares of the ſaid joint Stocks of Annuities ſo entered and kept in the Books of the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England* as aforeſaid, and any One or either of them ſhall from Time to Time receive and give Receipts for all Dividends ariſing therefrom: Provided always, that previous to any ſuch Two Commiſſioners and Secretary firſt acting in ſuch Management, Diſpoſal, Sale, or Transfer, or in the Receipt of ſuch Dividends, and alſo upon every new Appointment in conſequence of the Death, Reſignation, or Removal of all or any of them, a Warrant ſhall for that Purpoſe be granted to ſuch Two Commiſſioners and Secretary for the Time being by the Lords Commiſſioners of His Majeſty's Treaſury for the Time being, or any Three of them, and produced to and depoſited with the proper Officers of the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England*, as the Authority for ſuch Management, Diſpoſal, Sale, or Transfer, or the Receipt of ſuch Dividends.

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