

ANNO QUINQUAGESIMO PRIMO

GEORGII III. REGIS.

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Reſtrictions, as are herein-after ſpecified and contained; and all and every Act and Acts which ſhall be done by the ſaid Regent, in the Name and on the Behalf of His Majeſty, by virtue and in purſuance of this Act, and according to the Powers and Authorities hereby veſted in Him, ſhall have the ſame Force and Effect to all Intents and Purpoſes as the like Acts would have if done by His Majeſty Himſelf, and ſhall to all Intents and Purpoſes be full and ſufficient Warrant to all Perſons acting under the Authority thereof; and all Perſons ſhall yield Obedience thereto, and carry the ſame into Effect, in the ſame Manner and for the ſame Purpoſes as the ſame Perſons ought to yield Obedience to and carry into Effect the like Acts done by His Majeſty Himſelf; any Law, Courſe of Office, or other Matter or Thing to the contrary notwithſtanding.

Form of Signature of the Regent.

II. And be it further enacted, That as to all Authorities given and Appointments made in the Name and in the Behalf of His Majeſty, and all other Acts, Matters, and Things uſually done under the Authority of the Royal Sign Manual, the Signature of the Regent in the Form following, that is to ſay, *George P. R.* or in Caſes where the Royal Signature has uſually been affixed in Initials only, then in the Form *G. P. R.*, ſhall be as valid and effectual and have the ſame Force and Effect as His Majeſty's Royal Sign Manual, and ſhall be deemed and taken to be to all Intents and Purpoſes His Majeſty's Royal Sign Manual, and be obeyed as ſuch.

Powers of Act to ceaſe when His Majeſty's Health ſhall be reſtored, &c.

III. And be it further enacted, That when His Majeſty ſhall by the Bleſſing of God be reſtored to ſuch a State of Health as to be capable of reſuming the Perſonal Exerciſe of His Royal Authority, and ſhall have declared His Royal Will and Pleaſure thereupon, as herein-after provided, all and every the Powers and Authorities given by this Act, for the Exerciſe and Adminiſtration of His Royal Power and Authority, or for the uſing, executing, and performing the Authorities, Prerogatives, Acts of Government, and Adminiſtration of the ſame, which belong to the King of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* to uſe, execute, and perform, or for the Care of His Majeſty's Royal Perſon, ſhall ceaſe and determine; and no Act, Matter, or Thing, which, under this Act, and previous to ſuch Declaration might be done in the Adminiſtration of His Majeſty's Royal Power and Authority, or in the uſing, exerciſing, or performing any ſuch Authorities, Prerogatives, Acts of Government, or Adminiſtration as aforeſaid, or in the Care of His Majeſty's Royal Perſon, by virtue and in purſuance of this Act, ſhall, if done after ſuch Declaration of His Majeſty's Royal Will and Pleaſure, be thenceforth valid or effectual.

But Acts, Orders, and Appointments of the Regent to remain, unleſs countermanded by His Majeſty.

IV. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That all Perſons holding any Offices or Places, or Penſions, during His Majeſty's Pleaſure, at the Time of ſuch Declaration, under any Appointment or Authority of the Regent, or Her Majeſty, under the Proviſions of this Act, ſhall continue to hold the ſame, and to uſe, exerciſe, and enjoy all the Powers, Authorities, Privileges, and Emoluments thereof, notwithſtanding ſuch Declaration of the Reſumption of the Royal Authority by His Majeſty, unleſs and until His Majeſty ſhall declare His Royal Will and Pleaſure to the contrary; and all Orders, Acts of Government, or Adminiſtration of His Majeſty's Royal Authority, made, iſſued, or done by the ſaid Regent,

before such Declaration, shall be and remain in full Force and Effect, until the same shall be countermanded by His Majesty.

V. Provided also, and be it further enacted, That no Acts of Regal Power, Prerogative, Government, or Administration of Government, of what Kind or Nature soever, which might lawfully be done or executed by the King's most Excellent Majesty, personally exercising His Royal Authority, shall, during the Continuance of the Regency by this Act established, be valid and effectual, unless done and executed in the Name and on the Behalf of His Majesty, by the Authority of the said Regent, according to the Provisions of this Act, and subject to the Limitations, Exceptions, Regulations, and Restrictions herein-after contained.

No Act of Regent to be valid unless done in the Name of His Majesty, and according to the Provisions of this Act.

VI. And be it further enacted, That the said Regent, before he shall act or enter upon His said Office of Regent, shall take the following Oaths:

Regent to take the following Oaths.

'I DO sincerely promise and swear, That I will be faithful and bear true Allegiance to His Majesty King *George*.

So help me GOD.'

'I DO solemnly promise and swear, That I will truly and faithfully execute the Office of Regent of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, according to an Act of Parliament passed in the Fifty-first Year of the Reign of His Majesty King *George* the Third, intituled, An Act [*here insert the Title of this Act*]; and that I will administer, according to Law, the Power and Authority vested in me by virtue of the said Act; and that I will in all Things, to the utmost of my Power and Ability, consult and maintain the Safety, Honour, and Dignity of His Majesty and the Welfare of His People. So help me GOD.'

'I DO faithfully promise and swear, That I shall inviolably maintain and preserve the Settlement of the true Protestant Religion, with the Government, Worship, Discipline, Rights, and Privileges of the Church of *Scotland*, as established by the Laws made there in Prosecution of the Claim of Right, and particularly by an Act, intituled, *An Act for securing the Protestant Religion, and Presbyterian Church Government*, and by the Acts passed in the Parliament of both Kingdoms, for Union of the Two Kingdoms. So help me GOD.'

Which Oaths shall be taken before His Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council; who are hereby required and empowered to administer the same, and to enter the same in the Books of the said Privy Council.

VII. And be it further enacted, That the said Regent shall, at the Time of His taking such Oaths as aforesaid, and before the Members of the Privy Council administering the same, make, subscribe, and audibly repeat the Declaration mentioned in an Act made in the Thirtieth Year of King *Charles* the Second, intituled, *An Act for the more effectual preserving the King's Person and Government, by disabling Papists from sitting in either House of Parliament*; and shall produce a Certificate of his having received the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper in any of the Royal Chapels, signed by the Person administering the same; which Certificate shall be sufficient Evidence of the said Regent's having received the Sacrament; and such Declaration and Certificate shall respectively be registered in the Books of the Privy Council.

The Regent on taking the Oaths shall subscribe the Declaration of 30 C. 2 st. 2. and produce Certificate of having taken the Sacrament.

Restraining the Regent from granting Peerages, or summoning Heirs Apparent, or appointing to Titles in Abeyance.

VIII. Provided always, and be it enacted, That until after the First Day of *February* One thousand eight hundred and twelve, if Parliament shall be then assembled, and shall have been sitting for Six Weeks immediately previous to the said First Day of *February* One thousand eight hundred and twelve, or if Parliament shall be then assembled, but shall not have been so sitting for Six Weeks, then until the Expiration of Six Weeks after Parliament shall have been so assembled and been sitting; or if Parliament shall not then be assembled, then until the Expiration of Six Weeks after Parliament shall have been assembled and sitting, next after the said First Day of *February* One thousand eight hundred and twelve, the Regent shall not have or exercise any Power or Authority to grant, in the Name and on the Behalf of His Majesty, any Rank, Title, or Dignity of the Peerage, by Letters Patent, Writ of Summons, or any other Manner whatever, or to summon any Person to the House of Lords by any Title to which such Person shall be the Heir Apparent, or to determine the Abeyance of any Rank, Title or Dignity of Peerage, which now is or hereafter shall be in Abeyance, in favour of any of the Coheirs thereof, by Writ of Summons or otherwise.

Restraining the Regent from granting Offices in Reversion, or for a longer Period than during His Majesty's Pleasure, except those which by Law are granted for Life, &c.

IX. Provided also, and be it further enacted, That the said Regent shall not, until after the said First Day of *February* One thousand eight hundred and twelve, or the Expiration of such Six Weeks as aforesaid, have Power or Authority to grant, in the Name or on the Behalf of His Majesty, any Office or Employment whatever, in Reversion, or to grant for any longer Term than during His Majesty's Pleasure, any Office, Employment, Salary, or Pension whatever, except such Offices and Employments in Possession for the Term of the natural Life, or during the good Behaviour of the Grantee or Grantees thereof respectively, as by Law must be so granted: Provided always, that nothing herein contained, shall in any Manner affect or extend to prevent or restrain the granting of any Pensions under the Provisions of an Act passed in the Thirty-ninth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled, *An Act for the Augmentation of the Salaries of the Judges of the Courts in* Westminster Hall, *and also of the Lords of Session, Lords Commissioners of Justiciary, and Barons of Exchequer in* Scotland; *and for enabling His Majesty to grant Annuities to Persons in certain Offices in the said Courts of* Westminster Hall, *on their Resignation of their respective Offices*; and of another Act passed in the Forty-eighth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled, *An Act for enabling His Majesty to grant Annuities to the Judges of the Courts of Session, Justiciary, and Exchequer in* Scotland, *upon the Resignation of their Offices*; and of another Act, passed in *Ireland*, in the Fortieth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled, *An Act to enable His Majesty to grant Annuities to the Lord High Chancellor, and to the Judges of the Court of King's Bench, Master of the Rolls, Judges of the Courts of Common Pleas and Exchequer, Judge or Commissary of the Court of Prerogative, the Judge of the Court of Admiralty, the Chairman of the Quarter Sessions of the County of* Dublin, *and Assistant Barristers of the several other Counties, on the Resignation of their respective Offices*; *and to amend an Act passed in the Thirty-sixth Year of His present Majesty, intituled, 'An Act for encreasing the 'Salaries of the Chief and other Judges of the Courts of King's Bench and 'Common Pleas, and of the Chief Baron and other Barons of the Court of 'Exchequer in this Kingdom';* or to prevent or restrain the granting of any Pensions out of the Revenues of the *British* Territories in the *East Indies*, under

39 G. 3. c. 110.

48 G. 3. c. 145.

Irish Act, 40 G. 3.

under the Provisions of any Act or Acts of Parliament now in force, to such Persons as may have held the Office of Chief Justice or other Judge in the Supreme Courts of Judicature at *Fort William* in *Bengal* and at *Madras*, and the Office of Recorder of *Bombay*.

Not to restrain the granting of Pensions under 41 G. 3. c. 96.

X. Provided also, and be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall in any Manner affect or extend to prevent or restrain the granting of any Pensions under the Provisions of an Act passed in the Forty-first Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled, *An Act for the better Regulation of His Majesty's Prize Courts in the* West Indies *and* America, *and for giving a more speedy and effectual Execution to the Decrees of the Lords Commissioners of Appeals*, and of another Act passed in the Forty-third Year of His present Majesty, intituled, *An Act for the Encouragement of Seamen, and for the better and more effectual manning His Majesty's Navy; for regulating the Payment of Prize Money, and for making Provision for the Salaries of the Judges of the Vice Admiralty Courts in the Island of* Malta, *and in the* Bermudas, *and* Bahama Islands; and also of another Act passed in the Forty-fifth Year of His present Majesty, intituled, *An Act for the Encouragement of Seamen, and for the better and more effectually manning of His Majesty's Navy.*

43 G. 3. c. 160.

45 G. 3. c. 72.

Nor to empower the Regent to give the Royal Assent to any Bill to repeal 12 W. 3. c. 2.

XI. And be it enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall extend or be construed to extend to empower the said Regent, in the Name and on the Behalf of His Majesty, to give the Royal Assent to any Bill or Bills in Parliament, for repealing, changing, or in any respect varying the Order and Course of Succession to the Crown of this Realm, as the same stands now established by an Act passed in the Twelfth Year of the Reign of King *William* the Third, intituled, *An Act for the further Limitation of the Crown, and better securing the Rights and Liberties of the Subject*; or to any Act for repealing or altering the Act made in the Thirteenth Year of the Reign of King *Charles* the Second, intituled, *An Act for the Uniformity of Public Prayers and Administration of Sacraments, and other Rites and Ceremonies, and for establishing the Form of making, ordaining, and consecrating Bishops, Priests, and Deacons in the Church of* England; or the Act of the Fifth Year of the Reign of Queen *Anne*, made in *Scotland*, intituled, *An Act for securing the Protestant Religion and Presbyterian Church Government.*

13 C. 2. c. 4.

or Act of 5 Ann.

If Regent shall not reside in the Kingdom, or shall marry a Papist, his Powers to cease.

XII. Provided also, and be it enacted, That if His said Royal Highness *George Augustus Frederick* Prince of *Wales* shall not continue to be resident in the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, or shall at any Time marry a Papist, then and in either of such Cases, all the Powers and Authorities vested in His said Royal Highness by this Act, shall cease and determine.

Care of His Majesty's Person, and the Direction and Appointment of a Part of His Majesty's Household, to be vested in Her Majesty.

XIII. And whereas it is expedient that the Care of His Majesty's Royal Person should be committed to the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, together with the sole Direction of such Portion of His Majesty's Household as shall be deemed requisite and suitable for the due Attendance on His Majesty's Sacred Person, and the Maintenance of His Royal Dignity; Be it therefore enacted, That the Care of His Majesty's Royal Person, and the disposing, ordering, and managing of all Matters and Things relating thereto, shall be, and the same are hereby vested in the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, during the Continuance of His Majesty's Indisposition;

and that the ſole Direction of His Majeſty's Houſehold, except the Lord Chamberlain of His Majeſty's Houſehold, the Captain of the Yeomen of His Majeſty's Guard, and the Captain of the Honourable Band of Gentlemen Penſioners, ſhall be and is hereby veſted in Her Majeſty; and Her ſaid Majeſty ſhall have the full and ſole Power and Authority, by any Inſtrument or Inſtruments in Writing ſigned and ſealed by Her Majeſty, to nominate and appoint, in caſe of any Vacancies ariſing by Reſignation or Death, all the Officers and Perſons belonging to His Majeſty's Houſehold, in the reſpective Departments thereof, whoſe Appointment, Nomination, or Removal have heretofore been made by His Majeſty; except the Lord Chamberlain of His Majeſty's Houſehold, and the Gentlemen and Grooms of His Majeſty's Bedchamber, His Majeſty's Equerries, the Captain of the Yeomen of His Majeſty's Guard, and the Captain of the honourable Band of Gentlemen Penſioners; and the Nomination and Appointment by Her Majeſty, in Manner and Form aforeſaid, ſhall be valid and effectual to all Intents and Purpoſes as if the ſame had been made or done by His Majeſty in the accuſtomed Manner; and the ſeveral Perſons ſo appointed ſhall be entitled to the like Precedence, Privileges, Salaries, Wages, Profits, and all other Emoluments, as the ſeveral Perſons now holding and enjoying the ſame Offices are reſpectively entitled to: Provided always, That the Power and Authority given by this Act to Her Majeſty, to nominate and appoint ſuch Perſons of His Majeſty's Houſehold as are not hereinbefore excepted, ſhall continue in force until the ſaid Firſt Day of *February*, or the Expiration of ſuch Six Weeks as aforeſaid, and no longer: Provided alſo, That Her ſaid Majeſty ſhall not have any Power or Authority to remove any Officer in any Department of His Majeſty's Houſehold, by this Act made ſubject to the Nomination or Appointment of Her Majeſty, who ſhall have been nominated and appointed by His Majeſty: Provided alſo, That until the Expiration of ſuch Period as aforeſaid, no Appointment ſhall be made to the Office of Lord Chamberlain of His Majeſty's Houſehold, now vacant, but that all the Duties of the ſaid Office ſhall be performed by the Vice Chamberlain; and that during ſuch Period as aforeſaid, no Perſon holding the Office of Gentleman or Groom of His Majeſty's Bedchamber, or being One of His Majeſty's Equerries, ſhall be ſubject to be removed; and no Vacancy which ſhall ariſe by Death or Reſignation of any of the Grooms or Gentlemen of His Majeſty's Bedchamber, or of His Majeſty's Equerries, ſhall be ſupplied or filled up, or any Appointment or Nomination made to ſupply any ſuch Vacancy.

No Officer of the Houſehold to make any Appointment but during His Majeſty's Pleaſure.

XIV. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That it ſhall not be lawful for any Officer in His Majeſty's Houſehold who is by this Act put under the Direction of Her Majeſty, to make any Appointment to any Office to which ſuch Officer may have the Power of Appointment for any longer Period than during His Majeſty's Pleaſure.

Council appointed to aſſiſt Her Majeſty.

XV. And whereas the Execution of the weighty and arduous Truſts by this Act committed to the Queen's moſt Excellent Majeſty, may require the Aſſiſtance of a Council, with whom Her Majeſty may conſult and adviſe; be it therefore enacted, That in order to aſſiſt and adviſe Her ſaid moſt Excellent Majeſty in the ſeveral Matters aforeſaid, there ſhall be, during the Continuance of His Majeſty's Illneſs, a Council, conſiſting of *Charles* Lord Archbiſhop of *Canterbury*, *Edward* Lord Archbiſhop of *York*, *James* Duke of *Montroſe*, *George* Earl of *Winchelſea* and *Nottingham*, *Heneage*

Heneage Earl of *Aylesford*, *John* Lord *Eldon*, *Edward* Lord *Ellenborough*, and the Right Honourable Sir *William Grant*; which Council shall from Time to Time meet as Her Majesty shall be pleased to direct, and shall also have Power to meet in Manner by this Act directed; and if it should happen that any of them the said *Charles* Lord Archbishop of *Canterbury*, *Edward* Lord Archbishop of *York*, *James* Duke of *Montrose*, *George* Earl of *Winchelsea* and *Nottingham*, *Heneage* Earl of *Aylesford*, *John* Lord *Eldon*, *Edward* Lord *Ellenborough*, or the Right Honourable Sir *William Grant*, should depart this Life, or by Instrument in Writing communicated to Her Majesty, signify their Intention to decline to act, then and in such Case it shall be lawful for the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, from Time to Time, by an Instrument in Writing signed and sealed by Her Majesty, revocable at Her Will and Pleasure, to nominate and appoint some one Person, being or having been a Member of His Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, to be a Member of the said Council, to advise and assist Her Majesty as aforesaid, in the Room and Place of each and every of the said Councillors so departing this Life, or declining to act as aforesaid; which Nomination and Appointment shall be forthwith certified by an Instrument in Writing, signed and sealed by Her Majesty, to the Lords of His Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, and shall be entered in the Books of the said Privy Council.

Members of Her Majesty's Council to take an Oath.

XVI. And be it further enacted, That each and every Member of Her Majesty's Council shall, within the Space of Five Days after his Appointment by virtue of this Act, or by virtue of Her Majesty's Nomination and Appointment in Manner aforesaid, take an Oath before the Lord High Chancellor or Keeper of the Great Seal, or Commissioners for keeping the Great Seal of *Great Britain*, or the Lord President of His Majesty's Privy Council, or the Chief Justice of the Court of King's Bench, for the Time being respectively, or either of them, who are hereby severally and respectively required and empowered to administer the same, when required so to do by any Person so appointed a Member of Her Majesty's Council as aforesaid; and the Person administering such Oath, shall give to the Member of Her Majesty's Council taking the same, a Certificate of the same having been so taken, signed with his Hand; which Certificate shall be forthwith transmitted to His Majesty's Privy Council, and entered in the Books of the said Privy Council; and such Oath shall be in the Form following; (that is to say),

'I *A. B.* do solemnly promise and swear, That I will truly and faithfully counsel and advise the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, according to the best of my Judgement, in all Matters and Things relating to the Trusts committed to Her Majesty, touching the Care of His Majesty's Royal Person, and the Resumption of the Personal Exercise of the Royal Authority by His Majesty.'

Her Majesty's Council may examine the Physicians and others upon Oath.

XVII. And be it further enacted, That Her Majesty's Council, or any Three or more of them, shall have Power and Authority at all Times, when they shall judge it necessary, to meet, and call before them and to examine upon Oath, the Physicians and all other Persons attendant on His Majesty, during the Continuance of His Illness, touching the State of His Majesty's Health; and all Matters relating thereto; (which Oath any Member of the said Council is hereby authorized and empowered to administer);

miniſter); and to aſcertain the State of His Majeſty's Health, by all ſuch other Ways and Means as ſhall appear to them to be neceſſary for that Purpoſe.

Council to meet, and to declare the State of His Majeſty's Health; and tranſmit a Copy of ſuch Declaration to the Preſident of the Privy Council.

XVIII. And be it further enacted, That Three or more of the Members of the Council appointed to aſſiſt Her Majeſty in the Execution of the Truſts committed to Her Majeſty by this Act, ſhall, in caſe ſuch Truſts ſhall then be in force, meet on ſome Day in the firſt Week in *April* One thouſand eight hundred and eleven, and ſome Day in the firſt Week of every Third Month thereafter; and ſhall, whilſt the ſaid Truſts ſhall continue in force, at every ſuch Meeting, declare the State of His Majeſty's Health at the Time of each of ſuch Meetings reſpectively, and ſhall forthwith tranſmit a Copy of ſuch Declaration to the Preſident of His Majeſty's moſt Honourable Privy Council, or in his Abſence to one of His Majeſty's Principal Secretaries of State, who ſhall thereupon cauſe the ſame to be inſerted in the Books of the Privy Council.

Her Majeſty and Council to notify His Majeſty's Reſtoration to Health,

XIX. And whereas it is neceſſary that effectual Proviſion ſhould be made, that His Majeſty may reſume the Perſonal Exerciſe of His Royal Authority, as ſoon as His Majeſty is reſtored to ſuch a State of Health as to be capable of reſuming the ſame; be it therefore enacted, That when it ſhall appear to Her Majeſty the Queen, and to any Four or more of the Council appointed by this Act to aſſiſt Her Majeſty in the Execution of the Truſt committed to Her Majeſty by this Act, aſſembled at any Meeting held in purſuance of Her Majeſty's Royal Will and Pleaſure ſignified for that Purpoſe, or aſſembled under the Direction of this Act, or in purſuance of His Majeſty's Royal Will and Pleaſure ſignified to Her Majeſty and Her Council for that Purpoſe; which Council of Her Majeſty is hereby required to aſſemble in the Preſence of Her Majeſty, upon His Majeſty's Royal Will and Pleaſure being ſignified for that Purpoſe, that His Majeſty is reſtored to ſuch a State of Health as to be capable of reſuming the Perſonal Exerciſe of the Royal Authority, it ſhall and may be lawful for Her ſaid Majeſty, by the Advice of any Four or more of Her ſaid Council, to notify the ſame, by an Inſtrument under Her Majeſty's Hand, and ſigned alſo by the ſaid Four or more of Her Majeſty's ſaid Council, and addreſſed to the Lord Preſident of His Majeſty's moſt Honourable Privy Council for the time being, or in his Abſence to One of His Majeſty's Principal Secretaries of State; and the ſaid Lord Preſident or Secretary of State ſhall and is hereby required, on the Receipt thereof, to communicate the ſame to the ſaid Regent, and to ſummon forthwith a Privy Council, and the Members of His Majeſty's moſt Honourable Privy Council are hereby required to aſſemble in conſequence of ſuch Summons; and the ſaid Lord Preſident, or in his Abſence the ſaid Secretary of State, is required, in the Preſence of any Six or more Privy Councillors ſo aſſembled, to cauſe the ſaid Inſtrument to be entered on the Books of the ſaid Privy Council.

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After ſuch Entry, His Majeſty may, by Sign Manual, require the Privy Council to aſſemble.

XX. And be it further enacted, That if at any Time after the ſaid Inſtrument under the Hand of Her Majeſty, and of Four or more of Her ſaid Council, ſhall have been received and entered as aforeſaid, His Majeſty ſhall think proper, by an Inſtrument under His Sign Manual, to require the Lord Preſident of His Majeſty's Moſt Honourable Privy Council for the Time being, or, in his Abſence, One of His Majeſty's Principal

Secretaries of State, to ſummon a Council in His Majeſty's Preſence, conſiſting of any Number of Perſons not leſs than Nine, whom His Majeſty ſhall name, and who ſhall be or ſhall have been Members of His Majeſty's moſt Honourable Council, not being Members of Her Majeſty's Council, the ſaid Lord Preſident or Secretary of State ſhall and he is hereby required to ſummon ſuch Perſons accordingly; and as well the ſaid Lord Preſident or Secretary of State, as the other Perſons ſo ſummoned, ſhall and they are hereby required to attend at the Time and Place appointed by His Majeſty; and ſuch Perſons ſo aſſembled ſhall be and be deemed to be a Privy Council for the Purpoſe herein-after mentioned.

Powers of this Act to ceaſe, on His Majeſty's declaring by Proclamation His Reſumption of the Royal Authority.

XXI. And be it further enacted, That if His Majeſty, by the Advice of Six or more of ſuch Privy Council ſo aſſembled, ſhall ſignify His Royal Pleaſure to reſume the Perſonal Exerciſe of His Royal Authority, and to iſſue a Proclamation declaring the ſame, ſuch Proclamation ſhall be iſſued accordingly, counterſigned by the ſaid Six or more of the ſaid Privy Council, and all the Powers and Authorities given by this Act ſhall from thenceforth ceaſe and determine, and the Perſonal Exerciſe of the Royal Authority by His Majeſty ſhall be and be deemed to be reſumed by His Majeſty, and ſhall be exerciſed by His Majeſty, to all Intents and Purpoſes, as if this Act had never been made.

In caſe of the Death of the Regent or Her Majeſty, Proclamation ſhall be iſſued, and alſo in caſe of the Reſumption of the Royal Authority, Parliament ſhall forthwith meet, if ſeparated.

XXII. And be it further enacted, That if His Royal Highneſs *George Auguſtus Frederick* Prince of *Wales* ſhall depart this Life during the Continuance of the Regency by this Act eſtabliſhed, or ceaſe to be Regent under any of the Proviſions thereof, the Lords of His Majeſty's moſt Honourable Privy Council ſhall forthwith cauſe a Proclamation to be iſſued, in His Majeſty's Name, under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, declaring the ſame: And if Her Majeſty the Queen ſhall depart this Life during the Time that the Care of His Majeſty's Royal Perſon ſhall be committed to Her Majeſty according to the Proviſions of this Act, the Regent ſhall forthwith order and direct a Proclamation, under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, to be iſſued and publiſhed, declaring the ſame: And in caſe the Parliament in being at the Time of the iſſuing of any Proclamation declaring the Death of the Regent or of Her Majeſty, or at the Time of the iſſuing of any Proclamation for the Reſumption of the Perſonal Exerciſe of the Royal Authority by His Majeſty, ſhall then be ſeparated, by any Adjournment or Prorogation, ſuch Parliament ſhall forthwith meet and ſit.

Proviſion in caſe of Diſſolution or Expiration of a Parliament.

XXIII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That in caſe any ſuch Proclamation as aforeſaid ſhall iſſue in any or either of ſuch Caſes as aforeſaid, at any Time ſubſequent to the Diſſolution or Expiration of a Parliament, and before the Day appointed by any Writs of Summons then iſſued for aſſembling a new Parliament, then and in ſuch Caſe the laſt preceding Parliament ſhall immediately convene and ſit at *Weſtminſter*, and be a Parliament to continue during the Space of Six Months and no longer, to all Intents and Purpoſes, as if the ſame Parliament had not been diſſolved or expired, but ſubject to be ſooner prorogued or diſſolved: Provided alſo, that if any ſuch Proclamation as aforeſaid ſhall iſſue in any or either of ſuch Caſes as aforeſaid, upon or at any Time after the Day appointed by any Writs of Summons then iſſued for calling and aſſembling a new Parliament, and before ſuch new Parliament ſhall have met and ſat

ſat as a Parliament, ſuch new Parliament ſhall immediately after ſuch Proclamation convene and ſit at *Weſtminſter*, and be and be deemed to be a Parliament in being to all Intents and Purpoſes under the Proviſions of this Act.

In caſe of the Death of Her Majeſty, the Care of His Majeſty's Perſon ſhall be veſted in Her Majeſty's Council: but Officers of the Houſehold not to be removed.

XXIV. And be it alſo enacted, That in caſe of the Death of Her Majeſty the Queen, the Care of His Majeſty's Royal Perſon, and all and every the Powers and Authorities in and by this Act veſted in Her Majeſty, touching the Care of His Majeſty's Royal Perſon, and the diſpoſing, ordering, and managing all Matters and Things relating thereto, ſhall be and the ſame are hereby veſted in Her Majeſty's Council, until due Proviſion ſhall have been made in relation thereto by Parliament: Provided nevertheleſs, that in ſuch Caſe, nothing in this Act contained ſhall extend or be conſtrued to extend to empower the Regent, or the ſaid Council, to nominate, appoint, or remove any of the Officers or Perſons of His Majeſty's Houſehold, by this Act made ſubject to the Nomination, Appointment or Removal of Her Majeſty, until due Proviſion ſhall have been made by Parliament in that Behalf.

Election of Members void by Appointment to Office by the Regent or Her Majeſty.

XXV. And be it further enacted, That if any Perſon, being a Member of the Houſe of Commons, ſhall accept of any Office of Profit from the Crown, by the Nomination and Appointment of the Regent in the Name and on Behalf of His Majeſty, or of Her Majeſty the Queen, during the Continuance of the Regency hereby eſtabliſhed, the Election of ſuch Member ſhall be and is hereby declared to be void, and a new Writ ſhall iſſue for a new Election, in ſuch and the like Manner as if ſuch Perſon had been appointed to ſuch Office by His Majeſty.

Letters Patent and of Privy Seal, &c. for Iſſues of Money from the Civil Liſt to Her Majeſty and the Royal Family to continue in force.

XXVI. And be it further enacted, That the ſeveral Letters Patent, Letters of Privy Seal, and all other lawful Authorities, of what Nature or Kind ſoever, which have been granted or iſſued by His Majeſty, by virtue whereof any Payments of any Sum or Sums of Money are directed to be paid out of the Monies applicable to the Uſe of His Majeſty's Civil Government, for the Uſe of the Queen's moſt Excellent Majeſty, or for the Uſe of any of the Branches of His Majeſty's Royal Family, ſhall continue to be, and the ſame are hereby enacted to continue and be of full Force and Effect reſpectively, during the Continuance of the Regency by this Act eſtabliſhed; and that Warrants ſhall be iſſued by the Lord High Treaſurer, or Lords Commiſſioners of the Treaſury, for the Payment of the ſeveral Sums therein reſpectively contained; which Warrants the ſaid Lord High Treaſurer, or Lords Commiſſioners of the Treaſury, are hereby reſpectively required to iſſue at the uſual and accuſtomed Times, and in the uſual and accuſtomed Manner.

Treaſury to direct 60,000l. to be iſſued annually out of the Civil Liſt to the Keeper of His Majeſty's Privy Purſe, who ſhall apply the ſame as

XXVII. And be it further enacted, That the Lord High Treaſurer or Lords Commiſſioners of His Majeſty's Treaſury for the Time being, ſhall direct, and they are hereby required annually to direct the Sum of Sixty thouſand Pounds to be iſſued out of the Monies of the Civil Liſt Revenues to the Keeper of His Majeſty's Privy Purſe for the Time being, in like Manner, and at ſuch Times and in ſuch Proportions as has heretofore been uſual and accuſtomed in reſpect to the Iſſue of the Sum of Sixty thouſand Pounds as aforeſaid; and that the ſaid Keeper of His Majeſty's Privy Purſe ſhall, and he is hereby authoriſed and directed, during the

Continuance of His Majeſty's Indiſpoſition, out of the Monies ſo iſſued to him, to make ſuch Payments, and iſſue and apply ſuch Sums (not exceeding the Sum of Fifteen thouſand four hundred and ſixty-one Pounds in the Whole in the Year), to ſuch Perſons, in ſuch Proportions, and at ſuch Times, for ſuch Purpoſes, and on ſuch Accounts and in ſuch Manner as he hath heretofore uſually paid, iſſued, and applied the ſame by the Authority and Direction of His Majeſty; and the ſaid Keeper of His Majeſty's Privy Purſe ſhall, and he is hereby authoriſed and directed to iſſue and pay to ſuch Perſon as Her Majeſty may think proper to appoint for this Purpoſe, out of ſuch Sixty thouſand Pounds as aforeſaid, ſuch Sums of Money (not exceeding Four thouſand two hundred and fifteen Pounds in each Quarter of the Year in the Whole, the Firſt Payment whereof ſhall be made for the current Quarter as ſoon as may be after the paſſing of this Act) as Her Majeſty ſhall, by any Order or Orders in Writing made for that Purpoſe, direct, to be by ſuch Perſon ſo to be appointed as aforeſaid, paid and applied in ſuch Sums and Proportions, and to ſuch Perſons and for ſuch Purpoſes, and upon ſuch Accounts, and in ſuch Manner, as the ſame have been heretofore accuſtomed to be paid and applied, under the immediate Direction and Authority of His Majeſty; and ſuch Perſon, ſo appointed as aforeſaid, ſhall, before any ſuch Money ſhall be iſſued to him after the paſſing of this Act, take an Oath before ſome one of Her Majeſty's Council (which Oath each of Her Majeſty's ſaid Council is hereby authoriſed to adminiſter) that he will faithfully apply and will juſtly account to Her Majeſty for the faithful Application of ſuch Sums of Money ſo iſſued to him as aforeſaid; and ſuch Perſon, ſo appointed as aforeſaid, ſhall, from Time to Time, within One Month after the Receipt of every ſuch Sum as aforeſaid, render to Her Majeſty a juſt and true Account of the Application thereof: Provided alſo, that the Remainder of the aforeſaid Sum of Sixty thouſand Pounds ſhall be inveſted by the ſaid Keeper of His Majeſty's Privy Purſe in ſome of the Public Funds, or Government Securities, in the Name of the Keeper of His Majeſty's Privy Purſe for the Time being, in Truſt for His Majeſty; and that the Net Surplus of the Revenues of the Duchy and County Palatine of *Lancaſter* ſhall be from Time to Time paid under the Order of the Chancellor and Council of the ſaid Duchy, into the Hands of the Keeper of His Majeſty's Privy Purſe, whoſe Receipt ſhall be a ſufficient Diſcharge for the ſame, and ſhall by him be inveſted in ſome of the Publick Funds or Government Securities, in Manner aforeſaid; and that the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England* ſhall place the ſaid ſeveral Sums on an Account to be raiſed in the Books of the ſaid Governor and Company intituled, "The Account of the Keeper of His Majeſty's Privy Purſe;" and that upon the Death or Reſignation of the preſent and every other Keeper of His Majeſty's Privy Purſe hereafter to be appointed, all and every the ſaid Stock or Stocks and Sum or Sums of Money ariſing from the Dividends which ſhall accrue thereon, ſhall immediately veſt in the Succeſſor of the preſent or any future Keeper of His Majeſty's Privy Purſe reſpectively, and the Keeper of His Majeſty's Privy Purſe for the Time being is hereby required to lay out and inveſt the Dividends ſo accruing as aforeſaid, from Time to Time, in the Purchaſe of other Stocks and Securities on the like Account, and that the Keeper of His Majeſty's Privy Purſe for the Time being, ſhall from Time to Time execute Declarations of Truſt of all ſuch Funds and Securities, declaring that the ſame are held in Truſt for His Majeſty, by Inſtruments to be executed under his Hand and Seal, to be depoſited with Her Majeſty.

herein directed.

Part of the ſaid Sum to be at the Diſpoſal of Her Majeſty.

Application of the Revenues of the Duchy of Lancaſter.

The Keeper of the Privy Purſe and the Perſon appointed by Her Majeſty to take an Oath.

XXVIII. Provided always, and be it enacted, That the ſaid Keeper of His Majeſty's Privy Purſe, and ſuch Perſon ſo to be appointed as laſt aforeſaid by Her Majeſty, ſhall on or before the Firſt Day of *January* One thouſand eight hundred and twelve, and on or before the Firſt Day of *January* in every ſucceeding Year during the Continuance of this Act, reſpectively take an Oath before the Barons of the Court of Exchequer, or one of them, in the Form following:

'I *A. B.* do ſwear, That according to the beſt of my Knowledge, Belief, or Information, no Part of the Money which has been iſſued to me for the Service of His Majeſty's Privy Purſe, by virtue of an Act intituled, *An Act* [*here inſert the Title of this Act*], between the Firſt Day of *January* and the Firſt Day of *January* has been applied directly or indirectly for the Benefit, Uſe, or Behoof of any Member of the Houſe of Commons, or, ſo far as I am concerned, applicable, directly or indirectly, to the Purpoſe of ſupporting or procuring an Intereſt in any Place returning Members to Parliament. So help me GOD.'

Providing for the Care of His Majeſty's Real and Perſonal Eſtate, and Property, under 39 & 40 G. 3. c. 88.

XXIX. And whereas an Act paſſed in the Thirty-ninth and Fortieth Years of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, intituled, *An Act concerning the Diſpoſition of certain Real and Perſonal Property of His Majeſty, His Heirs and Succeſſors, and alſo the Real and Perſonal Property of Her Majeſty, and of the Queen Conſort for the Time being:* And whereas it is neceſſary that Proviſion ſhould be made for the Care of the Real and Perſonal Eſtate and Property of His Majeſty, during His Indiſpoſition, and for the Preſervation thereof for the Uſe and future Diſpoſal of His Majeſty; be it therefore enacted, That all Perſons having the Care or Management of His Majeſty's Real or Perſonal Eſtate or Property, or any Part thereof, now veſted in any Truſtees for the Uſe of His Majeſty, ſhall be and are hereby made and declared to be ſubject to the Controul, Order, Direction, Appointment, and Removal of the ſeveral and reſpective Truſtees of the Real and Perſonal Eſtate and Property of which they are reſpectively in the Care and Management; and ſhall from Time to Time, and whenever required ſo to do, account to the reſpective Truſtees of the ſeveral and reſpective Parts of the Real and Perſonal Eſtate and Property of which they ſo have the Care and Management, for all the Rents, Iſſues, Profits, Dividends, Intereſt and Sums of Money ariſing or accruing therefrom reſpectively; and ſhall apply, pay over, lay out, inveſt, or otherwiſe diſpoſe of the ſame, for the Uſe of His Majeſty, in ſuch manner as ſhall be from Time to Time ordered and directed by ſuch Truſtees reſpectively, and as to ſuch Truſtees ſhall appear moſt adviſeable and beneficial for the Care and Improvement of ſuch Real and Perſonal Eſtate and Property, and the Preſervation thereof, for His Majeſty's Uſe and future Diſpoſal; and all the Real and Perſonal Eſtate and Property of His Majeſty, in relation to which no Diſpoſition ſhall have been made by His Majeſty before His Illneſs, and which ſhall not now be veſted in any Truſtee or Truſtees for His Majeſty's Uſe, ſhall immediately from and after the paſſing of this Act veſt in the Queen's moſt Excellent Majeſty, His Royal Highneſs the Regent, and the Keeper of His Majeſty's Privy Purſe for the Time being, as Truſtees thereof for the Uſe of His Majeſty, and for the Protection and Care thereof during His Majeſty's Illneſs, and Preſervation thereof for His Majeſty's Uſe and future Diſpoſal; and Her ſaid Majeſty, and His ſaid Royal Highneſs the Regent, and the Keeper of His Majeſty's Privy Purſe,

may appoint a Secretary and such other Persons as may appear to them to be necessary for the Management of and keeping the Accounts of the said Trust, with such Salaries, to be paid out of the Proceeds of the Trust Property, as may appear to the said Trustees to be proper; and all Persons in the Care and Management of any Real or Personal Estate or Property, so vested in such Trustees as last aforesaid, under this Act, shall in like Manner as aforesaid be subject to the Order, Controul, Direction, Appointment, or Removal of such Trustees as last aforesaid, and shall account to such Trustees in like Manner as is herein-before directed, in relation to such Real and Personal Estate and Property as was vested in Trustees before the passing of this Act; and shall in like Manner as aforesaid apply, pay over, lay out, invest, or otherwise dispose of the Rents, Issues, Profits, Dividends, Interests, and Sums of Money arising or accruing therefrom respectively, according to the Order and Direction of such Trustees as aforesaid: Provided always, that all Dividends arising from any Public Funds or Securities shall be from Time to Time invested and laid out in the Purchase of other like Funds or Public Securities, unless any other Order or Direction shall be given by the Trustees thereof respectively; and all Trustees in whom any Real or Personal Estate or Property was vested, before the passing of this Act, or in whom the same is vested by the Provisions of this Act, shall hold all such Estates and Property for the Use and Benefit of His Majesty, and preserve the Produce thereof, and of all Rents, Issues, Profits, Dividends, Interest, and Sums of Money, arising and accruing therefrom, for His Majesty's Use and Benefit, and for the future Disposal of His Majesty, in case no Disposition shall have been made thereof by His Majesty before His Illness; and all such Real and Personal Estate and Property, and Rents, Issues, Profits, Produce, Dividends, Interest, and Sums of Money aforesaid, arising and accruing therefrom, whereof no Disposition shall have been made by His Majesty before His Illness, shall, if no Disposition thereof shall hereafter be made by His Majesty, go and be disposed of according to Law: Provided always, that nothing in this Act contained shall be construed to invalidate or in any Manner to affect any Disposition which shall have been made, or which shall hereafter be made, by His Majesty, by Deed, Will, or otherwise, of any such Property or Proceeds thereof as aforesaid, either before or after His Majesty's Illness, which would have been or would be a good and valid Disposition of such Property, if this Act had not passed.

Power to the Regent to dispose of the Droits of the Crown and of the Admiralty.

XXX. And whereas His Majesty hath been accustomed from Time to Time, by the Advice and on the Recommendation of the Commissioners of the Treasury, to make Grants out of the Droits of the Crown and of the Admiralty to Persons concerned or interested in the Capture of any Vessels and Cargoes, or other Property, condemned to or becoming vested in His Majesty, as Droits of the Crown or of the Admiralty, or to Persons praying for Relief as of His Majesty's Bounty in any Cases of Damage or Injury sustained by them on account of or in any Manner connected with any Capture or Prize, or occasioned by any Engagement with Ships of the Enemy; be it therefore enacted, That the said Regent shall have full Power and Authority, by the Advice and on the Recommendation of the Commissioners of the Treasury for the Time being, or any Three or more of them, out of the Droits of the Crown or the Droits of the Admiralty, or any Part or Parts thereof, from Time to Time to make any such Grants to Persons concerned or interested in the Capture of any Vessels or Cargoes, or other Property, which have

have been or may hereafter be condemned to or become veſted in His Majeſty as Droits of His Crown or of the Admiralty, or to any Perſon or Perſons praying for Relief in any Caſes of Damage or Injury ſuſtained by or on Account of any Matter or Thing ariſing out of or in any Manner connected with Capture or Prize, or occaſioned by any Engagement with Ships or Veſſels of the Enemy, in ſuch Manner as His Majeſty hath heretofore by the Advice of the ſaid Commiſſioners been accuſtomed to make any Grants of the ſame.

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