

ANNO QUINQUAGESIMO SECUNDO

GEORGII III. REGIS.

CAP. CXVIII.

An Act to amend an Act made in the present Session of Parliament, intituled *An Act to revive and continue until the Thirty-first Day of* December *One thousand eight hundred and twelve, so much of an Act made in the Forty-ninth Year of His present Majesty, to prohibit the Distillation of Spirits from Corn or Grain, in the United Kingdom, as relates to* Great Britain; *and to revive and continue another Act made in the Forty-ninth Year aforesaid, to suspend the Importation of* British *or* Irish-*made Spirits into* Great Britain *or* Ireland *respectively; and for granting certain Duties on Worts or Wash made from Sugar during the Prohibition of Distillation from Corn or Grain in* Great Britain.

[13th *July* 1812.]

WHEREAS by an Act made in the present Session of Parliament, intituled *An Act to revive and continue until the Thirty-first Day of* December *One thousand eight hundred and twelve, so much of an Act made in the Forty-ninth Year of His present Majesty, to prohibit the Distillation of Spirits from Corn or Grain, in the United Kingdom, as relates to* Great Britain; *and to revive and continue another Act made in* 52 G. 3. c. 8.

the Forty-ninth Year aforesaid, to suspend the Importation of British *or* Irish-*made Spirits into* Great Britain *or* Ireland *respectively; and for granting certain Duties on Worts or Wash made from Sugar during the Prohibition of Distillation from Corn or Grain in* Great Britain; it is enacted, that until the First Day of *December* One thousand eight hundred and twelve, no Person or Persons should be permitted to make Entry of any House or Houses, or Place or Places in *England* for making or distilling Spirits from Sugar for Exportation to *Scotland*, nor should any Person or Persons be permitted to make Entry of any House or Houses or Place or Places in *Scotland* for making or distilling Spirits from Sugar for Exportation to *England*, save and except such House or Houses or Place or Places as should have been duly entered and employed or used for making and distilling Spirits from Corn or Grain for such Exportation from *England* to *Scotland*, or from *Scotland* to *England*, as the Case might require, between the First Day of *October* One thousand eight hundred and eleven and the passing of the said recited Act, nor should any Person or Persons be permitted to make in any such entered House or Houses, Place or Places, or to export a Number of Gallons of Spirits within the Year from the Commencement of such Entry on the First Day of *October* One thousand eight hundred and eleven beyond the Quantity which such Person or Persons would have been entitled to have made from Corn or Grain, and to have exported from *England* to *Scotland*, or from *Scotland* to *England*, as the Case might require, if the Distillation from Corn or Grain had not been prohibited, farther than the Excess of Produce of Spirits from Sugar Wash above the Produce of Spirits from Corn Wash, computing such Produce at and after the Rate of Eighteen Gallons of Spirits, at the Strength of One to Ten over Hydrometer Proof, for every Hundred Gallons of Wort or Wash made or distilled from Corn during such Portion of the Year as such Distiller or Distillers should have been making or distilling from Corn since the First Day of *October* One thousand eight hundred and eleven, and of Twenty-one Gallons of Spirits at the Strength aforesaid for every Hundred Gallons of Wort or Wash to be distilled from Sugar during such Period of the present Year of our Lord as such Distiller or Distillers should continue to make or distil Spirits from Sugar, from and after the said Eighth Day of *February* One thousand eight hundred and twelve, until the Time at which the annual Entry of such House or Houses or Place or Places would have expired, any Thing in the said recited Act or any other Act to the contrary in anywise notwithstanding: And whereas the said Provision does in effect restrain such Persons in *England* and *Scotland* as have been duly entered and employed for making or distilling Spirits from Sugar for Exportation to *Scotland* and *England* respectively, between the said First Day of *October* One thousand eight hundred and twelve and the said First Day of *December*; 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 any Person or Persons whose House or Houses, Place or Places were duly entered and employed for making and distilling Spirits from Corn or Grain for Exportation as aforesaid, between the First Day of *October* One thousand eight hundred and eleven and the Seventh Day of *February* One thousand eight hundred and twelve, shall be permitted to continue until the said First Day of *December* to distil Spirits from Sugar for Exportation from *England* to *Scotland*, or from *Scotland* to *England*

Persons whose Houses were entered for distilling Spirits from Corn for Exportation between Oct. 1, 1811, and Feb. 7, 1812, shall be permitted till Dec. 1, 1812, to distil Spirits from Sugar for Exportation from England to Scotland, &c.

England respectively, as the Case may require, any Thing in the said recited Act to the contrary in anywise notwithstanding: Provided always, that every such entered Wash Still for such Time or Times between the said First Day of *October* One thousand eight hundred and twelve and the First Day of *December* as the same be worked, shall be presumed to be charged at the average Rate of not less than Six Times in each Week, and such Wash Still shall not be charged or worked oftener than Six Times in each Week, on the Average of the Time for which the same is hereby allowed to be worked, and every such Distiller shall produce to the Sight of the proper Officer, and duly export to *England* or *Scotland* respectively as the Case may be, Twenty-one Gallons of Spirits of the Strength of One to Ten over Hydrometer Proof for every One hundred Gallons of Wort or Wash that shall during such Period have been actually distilled into Spirits, and if any such Distiller shall charge his or her Wash Still oftener than Six Times in each Week, on the Average between the said First Day of *October* and the said First Day of *December*, or during such Part of the said Period as the same shall be worked, he shall forfeit and pay for every Working beyond such Average at and after the Rate of Twenty Shillings *per* Gallon, computed at the Produce of Twenty-one Gallons of Spirits at the Strength of One to Ten over Hydrometer Proof for every One hundred Gallons of Wort or Wash which such Wash Still would require to charge it Four Parts in Five of its Contents; the said Penalties to be recovered and applied in the same Manner in which the Fines, Penalties, and Forfeitures imposed by an Act passed in the Forty-ninth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled *An Act to prohibit the Distillation of Spirits from Corn or Grain, in the United Kingdom, for a limited Time*, are directed to be recovered and applied.

Wash Still to be charged at the Average Rate of not less than Six Times in each Week.

Distiller to produce and export a proportionate Quantity of Spirits.

Penalty.

49 G. 3. c. 7.

II. And be it further enacted, That no Distiller or Distillers in *England* or *Scotland* respectively shall be allowed to make Entry or give Notice of his Intention to make or distil any Spirits from Sugar for Exportation from *England* to *Scotland*, or from *Scotland* to *England*, at any other Time than on the First Day of *December* in each Year, any Thing in any former Act contained to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding.

Notice of Distillation from Sugar for Exportation to be given the 1st December yearly.

III. And be it further enacted, That each and every Licence granted or to be granted for the Purpose of distilling Spirits from Sugar, and which shall have been granted between the Eleventh Day of *February* last and the First Day of *December* now next ensuing, shall be deemed and construed to have taken and shall take Effect from the Day of the Date of such Licence or Licences respectively, and the same shall enure and be in force from the Date thereof until the said First Day of *December*, any Thing in this or in any former Act contained to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding.

Licences for distilling from Sugar to be in force from the Date thereof till the 1st December next.

IV. And be it further enacted, That from and after the said First Day of *December* now next ensuing, every Licence to be granted to any Distiller or Distillers in the Lowlands of *Scotland* for the making or distilling of Spirits from Sugar for Home Consumption, shall commence and take Effect from the First Day of *December* in each Year, and shall be and remain in Force and Effect for and during any Period of Time in which, by or under the Authority of any Act or Acts of Parliament passed or to be passed, the Distillation of Spirits from Corn or Grain in *Great Britain* shall be prohibited not exceeding the Space of One Year from every

Licences granted to Distillers in the Lowlands of Scotland to take Effect from the 1st December yearly.

But such Licences may be vacated or altered on the Terms allowed by 48G.3.c.118.

every such First Day of *December*: Provided always, that it shall and may be lawful to and for any licensed Distiller or Distillers in the Lowlands of *Scotland* to deliver up to the Commissioners of Excise, or to the proper Supervisor or Surveyor of the District, his, her, or their Licence to be vacated or altered on the Terms and Conditions, and at the Time and in such Manner as immediately before the passing of an Act of the Forty-eighth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled *An Act to prohibit the Distillation of Spirits from Corn or Grain for a limited Time*, were by any Act or Acts of Parliament then in force directed for vacating or altering Licences granted for the making or distilling of Spirits from Corn or Grain for Home Consumption in the said Lowlands, any Thing herein or in any other Act or Acts of Parliament contained to the contrary in anywise notwithstanding.

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