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GEORGII III. REGIS.

CAP. XXXII.

An Act for the Relief of Infant Suitors in Courts of Equity, entitled to Stock or Annuities in any of the Public or other Funds, transferrable at the Bank of *England*. [20th *April* 1812.]

WHEREAS Inconvenience has been experienced from the Want of Authority in the Courts of Chancery and Exchequer to direct for the Uſe of Infants the Payment of the Dividends of Stock belonging to ſuch Infants, and ſtanding in their Names in the Books of the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England*: May it therefore pleaſe Your Majeſty that it may be enacted; and 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 Courts of Chancery and Exchequer reſpectively, in any Cauſe depending or hereafter to be depending in the ſaid Courts reſpectively, to order and direct all or any Dividends due and belonging or hereafter to become due and belonging to any Infant or Infants, Parties to any ſuch Cauſe, on any of the public or other Stocks, Funds, or Annuities whatſoever, transferrable or which ſhall or may hereafter be made transferrable in the Books of the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England*, ſtanding in the Name or Names of ſuch Infant or Infants, and to which ſuch Infant or Infants is or are beneficially entitled, to be paid to any Guardian or Guardians of ſuch Infant or Infants reſpectively, or to any other Perſon

Court of Chancery or Exchequer may order Dividends or Stocks, &c. belonging to Infants, to be paid to Guardians for the Maintenance of ſuch Infants, &c.

or Perſons, according to the Diſcretion of ſuch Courts reſpectively, to or for the Maintenance and Education, or otherways for the Uſe and Benefit of ſuch Infant or Infants; ſuch Guardian or Guardians, or other Perſon or Perſons, to whom ſuch Payment is directed to be made, being named in the Order directing ſuch Payment; and the Receipt, Acquittance, or Diſcharge of ſuch Guardian or Guardians, or other Perſon or Perſons ſo named for ſuch Dividend or Dividends, or Sum or Sums of Money, as ſhall be ſo ordered and directed to be paid to them, or any Part thereof, ſhall be as good, valid, and effectual, at all Times and to all Intents and Purpoſes whatſoever, both at Law and in Equity, to and for the ſaid Governor and Company of the Bank of *England*, againſt ſuch Infant or Infants to whom ſuch Dividend or Dividends, Sum or Sums of Money have been or ſhall be due and belong, his, her, or their Executors, Adminiſtrators, or Aſſigns, as if ſuch Receipt, Acquittance, or Diſcharge, had been actually ſigned by ſuch Infant or Infants, after he, ſhe, or they had actually attained his, her, or their Age of Majority, and were capable by Law of ſigning and giving the ſame; and that this Act ſhall be, and is hereby declared to be a full and complete Indemnity and Diſcharge to the ſaid Governor and Company of the Bank of *England*, their Officers and Servants, for all Things done or permitted to be done purſuant thereto; and this Act ſhall be deemed and taken as a Public Act to all Intents and Purpoſes whatſoever.

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