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CAP. LXV.

An Act to allow the Use of Sugar in brewing Beer in *Great Britain*. [9th *June* 1812.]

WHEREAS by several Acts now in force common Brewers or Retailers of Beer or Ale are prohibited from using Sugar in the brewing or making of Beer or Ale, and it is expedient to allow the Use of Sugar in the brewing or making of Beer or Ale for a limited Time; 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 passing of this Act it shall and may be lawful to and for any such common Brewer or Retailer of Beer or Ale in *Great Britain*, until the First Day of *November* One thousand eight hundred and twelve, to make use of Sugar in the brewing or making of any Guile or Brewing of Beer, Ale, or Worts, any Thing in any Act or Acts of Parliament contained to the contrary in anywise notwithstanding: Provided always nevertheless, that nothing in this Act contained shall extend or be deemed or construed to extend to allow any common Brewer or Retailer of Beer or Ale to make use of any Molasses in the brewing or making of Beer or Ale, or any Sugar, except in the State in which the same shall have been imported into this Kingdom, and without the same having been previously diluted with Water or other Liquor, or undergone any Process or Manufacture to alter the same: Provided also, that no such Brewer or Retailer, or Brewers or Retailers, shall be at Liberty or be allowed or permitted to make use of any Sugar in the brewing or making of Beer, Ale, or Worts, unless he, she, or they shall have given to the Officer of Excise, under whose Survey he, she, or they shall be then, Twenty-four Hours previous Notice of his or their Intention so

Sugar may be used in the brewing of Beer or Ale till Nov. 1, 1812, on certain Conditions.

Notice to be given to the Excise Officer.

ſo to make uſe of ſuch Sugar, and ſpecifying in ſuch Notice the exact Hour and Time of his, her, or their beginning to brew or make ſuch Guile or Brewing of Beer, Ale, or Worts, and the Weight of the Sugar to be made uſe of in the brewing or making of ſuch Guile.

His Majeſty, by Proclamation, may permit Brown or Muſcovado Sugar to be uſed till 40 Days after the next Meeting of Parliament.

II. Provided alſo, and be it further enacted, That in caſe His Majeſty, at any Time after the Firſt Day of *October* in the Year One thouſand eight hundred and twelve, ſhall in His Royal Diſcretion judge it to be for the Benefit and Advantage of His Kingdom to permit common Brewers or Retailers of Beer or Ale to make uſe of Brown or Muſcovado Sugar in the brewing or making of Beer, Ale, or Worts, then and in ſuch Caſe it ſhall and may be lawful to and for His Majeſty, by His Royal Proclamation or Proclamations, to be iſſued by and with the Advice of His Privy Council, to be publiſhed from Time to Time in the *London Gazette*, to permit and ſuffer all common Brewers and Retailers of Beer, Ale, or Worts in *Great Britain* (but not any particular common Brewers or Retailers of Beer, Ale, or Worts), at any Time or Times, not leſs than Thirty Days from the Date of ſuch Proclamation or Order in Council, to make uſe of Brown or Muſcovado Sugar in the brewing or making of Beer, Ale, or Worts, until Forty Days after the then next Meeting of Parliament, under, ſubject, and according to the Rules, Regulations, Reſtrictions, and Proviſions, Fines, Penalties, and Forfeitures contained and provided in and by this Act.

Reſtrictions as to the Uſe of Sugar.

III. And be it further enacted, That if any common Brewer or Retailer of Beer or Ale ſhall, during the Time that this Act ſhall remain or continue in force, make uſe of any Molaſſes, Sugar, Honey, Syrup, Compoſition, or Extract of Sugar, except Brown or Muſcovado Sugar, made uſe of in the Manner herein-before allowed; or if any common Brewer ſhall receive or take into his, her, or their Cuſtody or Poſſeſſion, any Quantity of Molaſſes, Honey, Syrup, Compoſition, or Extract of Sugar, exceeding Ten Pounds Weight, every ſuch Brewer and Retailer ſhall forfeit and loſe for every ſuch Offence reſpectively the Sum of Two hundred Pounds.

Penalty 200l.

Penalties how to be levied.

IV. And be it further enacted, That all Fines, Penalties, and Forfeitures by this Act impoſed, ſhall be ſued for, recovered, levied, or mitigated by ſuch Ways, Means, or Methods, as any Fine, Penalty, or Forfeiture can or 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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