

ANNO QUINQUAGESIMO QUARTO

GEORGII III. REGIS.

CAP. XIX.

An Act to enable His Majesty to accept the Services of the Local Militia, out of their Counties, under certain Restrictions, and until the Twenty-fifth Day of *March* One thousand eight hundred and fifteen. [10th *December* 1813.]

WHEREAS it is highly expedient, in the present Circumstances, that His Majesty should be enabled to make the most effectual Use of the Disposable Military Force of His Realms, in aid of the Efforts now making upon the Continent of *Europe*, and for that Purpose should be empowered to accept of a limited Extension of Service of the Local Militia, for a short Period, for the Internal Defence of *Great Britain*; 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 it shall be lawful for His Majesty to accept the Services of such Parts of the Local Militia of *Great Britain* as may make voluntary Offers, duly certified by their respective Commanding Officers, of serving under the Act, out of the Counties within which they shall be enrolled, and as His Majesty may think proper, to permit so to extend their Services in consequence of such voluntary Offers as aforesaid; and it shall be lawful for His Majesty, by any Order signed by the Principal Secretary of State, directed to the Commanding Officer of any Regiment, Battalion, or Corps, of the said Local Militia Forces of *Great Britain*, to propose to such Regiment, Battalion, or Corps, or any Part or Parts thereof, so to extend their Services under such Rules and Regulations, and upon such Allowances,

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as His Majeſty may think fit to make and appoint in that Behalf, ſubject nevertheleſs to the Reſtrictions contained in this Act; and it ſhall be lawful for His Majeſty to call out and employ from Time to Time, any ſuch Parts or Proportions of any Local Militia ſo volunteering as aforeſaid, at ſuch Times and in ſuch Manner as He ſhall think fit, out of their Counties, for any Period not exceeding ſuch as are allowed by this Act; any Thing in any Act or Acts of Parliament relating to the Local Militia to the contrary notwithſtanding.

Services not to extend to more than 42 Days.

II. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That no Local Militia ſhall be allowed to extend its Services, or be liable to be kept aſſembled upon any ſuch Extended Service under this Act, for any longer Period than Forty-two Days in the Whole in any One Year, including the Days of aſſembling and diſembodying; and all Days of Service, under any ſuch voluntary Offers as aforeſaid, ſhall be deemed Part of the Days of Training and Exerciſe under the Acts already in force for the Regulation of the Local Militia of *England* and *Scotland* reſpectively; and if they ſhall exceed the Number of Twenty-eight Days, ſhall be deemed to include the Period of Training and Exerciſe under the ſaid Acts.

Regulations as to embodied Local Militia to extend to Local Militia on ſuch Extended Service.

III. And be it further enacted, That all the Rules, Regulations, Proviſoes, Powers, Authorities, Penalties, Forfeitures, Clauſes, Matters, and Things, in the ſaid Acts reſpectively contained, as to the Local Militia when embodied for Service in caſe of Invaſion, ſhall extend and be conſtrued to extend to the Local Militia when ſerving under any ſuch voluntary Offers under this Act, out of the Counties within which they are enrolled, as fully and effectually as if the ſame were ſeverally and reſpectively re-enacted as to ſuch Service of the Local Militia.

Proviſion for Serjeants after 20 Years Service.

IV. And be it further enacted, That every Perſon who ſhall have ſerved as a Serjeant in the Local Militia for Twenty Years, or any Perſon who, having previouſly ſerved as a Serjeant in the Regular Army, or in the Regular Militia, ſhall, by Service in the Local Militia, make up in the Whole ſuch Period of Twenty Years Service in the Army, Militia, and Local Militia taken together, and who ſhall be diſcharged on account of Age or Infirmity ſhall, on the Recommendation of the Commandant of the Regiment, Battalion, or Corps to which he belongs, or of the Lieutenant, or Two or more Deputy Lieutenants of the County, Riding, or Place to which the ſaid Regiment, Battalion, or Corps belongs, be entitled to Examination at the *Chelſea* Board, and be capable of being placed on the Eſtabliſhment of *Chelſea* Hoſpital, if the ſaid Board ſhall judge him deſerving thereof, at ſuch Rate of Penſion as ſhall be aſſigned to the Serjeants of the Regular Militia by any Rules or Regulations made by His Majeſty in their Behalf.

Continuance of Act, which may be altered in the preſent Seſſion.

V. And be it further enacted, That this Act ſhall continue in force until the Twenty-fifth Day of *March* One thouſand eight hundred and fifteen, and no longer; and may be altered, varied, or repealed, by any Act or Acts which may be paſſed in the preſent Seſſion of Parliament.

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