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An Act to amend an Act of the Twenty-ſecond Year of His preſent Majeſty, for ſuppreſſing or regulating certain Offices therein mentioned, ſo far as relates to the Board of Trade; and for enabling the Vice-Preſident of the Board of Trade to ſend and receive Letters and Packets free from the Duty of Poſtage. [7th *July* 1817.]

WHEREAS an Act paſſed in the Twenty-ſecond Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, intituled *An Act for enabling* 22 G.3.c.82.
His Majeſty to diſcharge the Debt contracted upon His Civil Liſt Revenues, and for preventing the ſame from being in Arrear for the future, by regulating the Mode of Payments out of the ſaid Revenues, and by ſuppreſſing or regulating certain Offices therein mentioned which are now paid out of the Revenues of the Civil Liſt: And whereas it is expedient to make Proviſion for enabling His Majeſty to grant a competent Salary to the Perſon holding the Office of Vice-Preſident of the Committee of Council appointed for the Conſideration of Matters relating to Trade and Foreign Plantations, in conſideration of the Duties and Reſponſibility attached to the ſaid Office; 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

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Salary of 2,000l. to the Vice-President of the Board of Trade;

the Authority of the ſame, That it ſhall be lawful for His Majeſty, by any Order or Warrant under His Royal Sign Manual, counterſigned by the Lord High Treaſurer, or by the Commiſſioners of His Majeſty's Treaſury of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, or any Three or more of them for the Time being, to order and direct that the Vice-Preſident of the Committee of Council, appointed for the Conſideration of Matters relating to Trade and Foreign Plantations, for the Time being, ſhall have a Salary not exceeding Two thouſand Pounds, to be paid and payable out of the Fee Fund of the Council Office; and ſuch Office ſhall not, by reaſon of ſuch Salary being annexed thereto, be deemed a new Office; Provided always, that no ſuch Order or Warrant, or Receipt of Salary under the ſame by the Perſon holding ſuch Office at the Time of paſſing this Act, ſhall make void the Election of any ſuch Perſon, nor ſhall any new Writ iſſue for a new Election in conſequence of any ſuch Order, or Warrant, or Receipt of Salary under the ſame; any Thing in any Act or Acts to the contrary notwithſtanding.

but not to be conſidered a new Office.

II. And whereas by an Act paſſed in the Forty-ſixth Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, intituled *An Act to authorize certain Public Officers to ſend and receive Letters and Packets by the Poſt free from the Duty of Poſtage*, certain Public Officers therein named were authorized to ſend and receive Letters by the Poſt free from the Duty of Poſtage in the United Kingdom, in the Manner and under the Reſtrictions therein mentioned: And whereas it is expedient that the Vice-Preſident of the Committee of Council appointed for the Conſideration of Matters relating to Trade and Foreign Plantations ſhould in like Manner ſend and receive Letters and Packets by the Poſt free from Poſtage; be it therefore enacted, That from and after the paſſing of this Act it ſhall be lawful for the Vice-Preſident of the Committee of Council, appointed for the Conſideration of Matters relating to Trade and Foreign Plantations, for the Time being, to ſend and receive Letters and Packets by the Poſt free from the Duty of Poſtage within the United Kingdom, in the ſame Manner and under ſuch Reſtrictions as the ſeveral Public Officers ſpecified in the ſaid recited Act are authorized by the Laws now in force to ſend and receive Letters and Packets free from Poſtage.

46 G. 3. c. 61.

Vice-Preſident to receive and ſend Letters and Packets free of Poſtage.

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