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GEORGII III. REGIS.

CAP. VI.

An Act to enable His Majesty to direct the Distribution of any Reward awarded by the Commissioners of the Customs or Excise to the Officers of the Army, Navy, or Marines, for apprehending Smugglers, in such Manner as His Majesty shall be pleased to appoint. [23d *March* 1819.]

WHEREAS by the Laws now in force for the Prevention of Smuggling, it is lawful for the Commissioners of Customs or Excise of *England*, *Scotland*, and *Ireland*, respectively, and they are thereby required, in certain Cases, to award to every Officer or other Person arresting any Person for Breach of those Laws, so that he shall be convicted or committed to Prison on account thereof, any Sum not exceeding Twenty Pounds for each Man so convicted or committed to Prison: And whereas it is expedient that His Majesty should be empowered in certain Cases to direct the Distribution of such Reward by His Order or Orders in Council, or by His Royal Proclamation in that Behalf, in such Manner as He shall be pleased thereby to appoint: 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 in all Cases wherein the Commissioners of the Customs or Excise of *England*, *Scotland*, and *Ireland* respectively, shall award any Sum not exceeding Twenty

Rewards not exceeding 20l. awarded by the Commissioners of

Customs or Excise to Officers, &c. of the Army or Navy, to be divided according to such Regulations as His Majesty shall appoint by Order in Council.

Twenty Pounds as aforesaid, to any Officer or Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers, Petty Officers, Seamen, or Privates, of His Majesty's Army, Navy, or Marines, or acting under the Orders of the Lord High Admiral, or of the Commissioners for executing the Office of the Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, for any Person so arrested, convicted, or committed to Prison as aforesaid, the same shall be divided and distributed in such Proportions, and according to such Rules, Regulations, and Orders, as His Majesty shall by His Order or Orders in Council, or by His Royal Proclamation in that Behalf, be pleased to direct and appoint.

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