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C A P. CXVI.

An Act to empower the Commissioners of the Treasury to grant, until the End of the next Session of Parliament, a limited Provision to certain discharged Officers of the Customs.

[10th *July* 1821.]

WHEREAS certain Merchants and others requiring Assistance for the more speedy unlading, discharging, and Delivery of their Goods, Wares, and Merchandize in the Port of *London*, did voluntarily offer to give, bestow, and distribute, and did give, bestow, and distribute, certain Sums of Money as Gratuities or Rewards to and among sundry Tide Surveyors and Tide Waiters and other Officers of the Customs in the said Port of *London*, for their Services in the more speedy discharging such Goods, Wares, and Merchandize: And whereas the said Officers, by accepting the said Sums of Money so offered, did render themselves liable to the Pains, Penalties, and Forfeitures imposed by an Act passed in the Forty-sixth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty, intituled *An Act for abolishing Fees received by certain* 46 G.3. c.82. *Officers and other Persons employed in the Service of the Customs in the Port of* London, *and for regulating the Attendance of Officers and others so employed:* And whereas it appears that several of the said Officers served faithfully in their Offices and Employments for many Years prior to the Enforcement of the said Penalties, and that on the Enquiry made into the said Transactions the said Officers freely and

voluntarily disclosed the Truth of the Facts, on an Expectation held out to them of Pardon for such their Offences: 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 and may be lawful for the Lord High Treasurer or the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* for the Time being, or any Three or more of them, to allow for the Support of the said Officers and their Families, by any Warrant under their Hands, such annual Sum or Sums of Money, payable out of the Revenue of Customs, as shall appear to the said Lord High Treasurer, or Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, reasonable and proper under the particular Circumstances of each Case, not exceeding One Half the Amount of the Salaries respectively enjoyed by such Officers as aforesaid previous to incurring the said Penalties.

Treasury may allow for the Support of certain Officers of the Customs who have incurred the Penalties of recited Act an annual Sum not exceeding One Half of their Salaries.

II. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall continue in force until the End of the next Session of Parliament.

Continuance of Act.

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