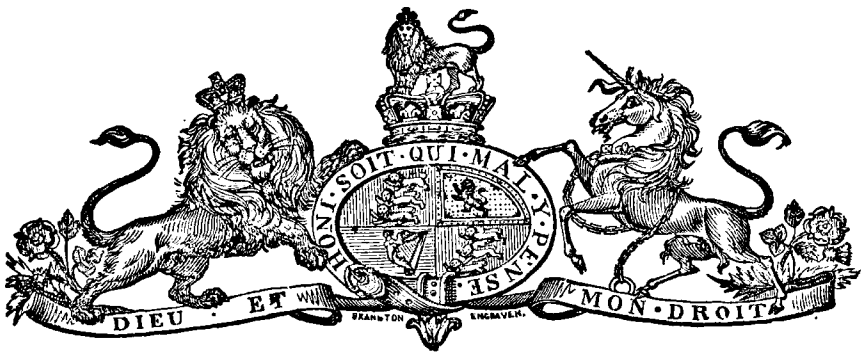


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CAP. I.

An Act for exhibiting a Bill in this present Parliament for naturalizing His Serene Highness Prince *Albert* of *Saxe Coburg* and *Gotha*.

[24th *January* 1840.]

WHEREAS it hath pleased Her Majesty most graciously to declare Her Intention to ally Herself in Marriage with the Prince *Albert* of *Saxe Coburg* and *Gotha*: And whereas a more grateful Proof of the Esteem and Affection of this Kingdom cannot be given to His Serene Highness than by an Act of Naturalization to make him capable of enjoying those Rights and Liberties which are enjoyed in this Realm: And whereas by an Act made in the Seventh Year of the Reign of King *James* the First every Person is required to receive the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper within One Month before any Bill for Naturalization be exhibited, and also to take the Oaths of Supremacy and Allegiance in the Parliament House before his or her Bill be twice read: And whereas by an Act passed in the First Year of the Reign of King *George* the First it was enacted, that no Person shall be naturalized unless in the Bill exhibited for that Purpose a proper Clause or particular Words be inserted to declare that such Person shall not thereby be enabled to be of the Privy Council or a Member of either House of Parliament, or to take any Office or Place of Trust either Civil

7 Jac. 1. c. 2.

1 G. 1. Stat. 2. c. 4.

Civil or Military, or to have any Grant of Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments from the Crown, to himself or any Person in Trust for him, and that no Bill should thenceforth be received in either House of Parliament unless such Clause or Words be first inserted or contained therein: "And whereas by an Act passed in the Sixth Year of the Reign of King *George* the Fourth, after reciting the said Act of the Seventh of King *James* the First, it was enacted, that from and after the passing of the Act it should not thenceforth be necessary for any Person who is to be naturalized to receive the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper as directed by the said recited Act: Be it enacted by the Queen'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 a Bill for the Naturalization of His Serene Highness the Prince *Albert* of *Saxe Coburg* and *Gotha*, without the Clause or particular Words directed by the said recited Act of the First Year of the Reign of King *George* the First to be inserted, and without His taking the Oaths by the first-recited Act required, shall and may be exhibited and brought into this Parliament, and twice read; the said recited Acts, or any other Law, Statute, Matter, or Thing whatsoever, to the contrary notwithstanding.

6 G. 4. c. 67.

A Bill for Naturalization of Prince Albert may be exhibited without the Clause mentioned in the recited Act of 1 Geo. 1., &c.

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