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An Act to authorize until the Thirty-first Day of *July* One thousand eight hundred and forty-seven, and to the End of the then next Session of Parliament, the Regulation of the Annuities and Premiums of the Naval Medical Supplemental Fund Society. [26th *August* 1846.]

WHEREAS under an Order in Council, bearing Date the Thirteenth Day of *August* One thousand eight hundred and seventeen, the Naval Medical Supplemental Fund Society was established for the Relief of Widows of Medical Officers in the Royal Navy, and certain Rules and Regulations were thereby made and prescribed for the Government, Regulation, and Management of the said Society, and the Funds thereof: And whereas certain Pensions and Annuities have been and are paid and payable by, and Premiums have been and are paid and payable to, the said Society, and it is expedient that the Rate of the said Pensions, Annuities, and Premiums now paid or payable should be continued during the Continuance of this Act, unless it be found expedient to reduce or vary the Rate thereof, as herein-after mentioned, in order to prevent any Encroachment on the Funds of the said Society: Be it therefore 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 from and after the passing of this Act the Amount or Rate of Pensions and Annuities now paid and payable by, and the Rate of Premiums now paid and payable to, the said Society shall, during the Continuance of this Act, continue to be paid and payable by and to the said Society, unless the Lord High Admiral, or the First Commissioner for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral for the Time being, as Patron of the said Society, and the Secretary of the Admiralty for the Time being, as President of the said Society, shall deem it expedient at any Time or Times to reduce or vary the same; in which Case it shall be lawful for the Lord High Admiral, or the said First Commissioner, and the said Secretary, and they are hereby authorized and empowered to vary or reduce at any Time and from Time to Time, by Writing under their respective Hands, as the Exigencies of the Case may seem to them requisite, the Amount of the Annuity now or hereafter payable by the said Society to Widows or other Claimants, provided that the Amount of the Annuities be not thereby rendered less than Two Thirds of the Amount which is now paid, and also to vary and increase the Rate of Premium which now is or shall be paid to the said Society for or in respect of any Annuity, so that the Amount of the Premium shall not exceed the Rate established by the said Order in Council: Provided always, that nothing in this Act contained shall render it obligatory on any Person to commence or continue the Payment of the full or reduced Amount of any such Premiums of Insurance as aforesaid.

Amount or Rate of Pensions and Annuities payable by, and Premiums payable to, the Society, shall continue to be paid, unless the Patron or President shall think fit to vary the same.

Proviso.

Term of Act. II. And be it enacted, That this Act shall commence and take Effect from the passing thereof, and shall continue in force until the Thirty-first Day of *July* One thousand eight hundred and forty-seven, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament.

Public Act. III. And be it enacted, That this Act shall be a Public Act, and shall be judicially taken notice of as such.

Act may be amended, &c. IV. And be it enacted, That this Act may be amended or repealed by any Act to be passed in the present Session of Parliament.

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