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C A P. IX.

An Act to repeal so much of certain Acts as requires certain Oaths to be taken by Members of the House of Commons before the Lord Steward or his Deputies. [30th *July* 1831.]

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Fifth Year of the Reign of Her late Majesty Queen *Elizabeth*, intituled *An Act for the Assurance of the Queen's Royal Power over all Estates and Subjects within Her Dominions*; and by another Act passed in the Seventh Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *James* the First, intituled *An Act for administering the Oath of Allegiance and Reformation of married Women Recusants*; and by another Act passed in the First Year of the Reign of Their late Majesties King *William* and Queen *Mary*, intituled *An Act for abrogating the Oaths of Supremacy and Allegiance, and appointing other Oaths*; it is provided and enacted, that every Person which should thereafter be elected or appointed a Knight, Citizen, or Burgess, or Baron for any of the Five Ports, for any Parliament thereafter to be holden, before he shall enter the Parliament House, or have any Voice there, shall openly receive and pronounce the Oaths required by the said recited Acts to be taken before the Lord Steward for the Time being or his Deputy or Deputies: And whereas by another Act passed in the Thirtieth Year of the Reign of King *Charles* the Second, intituled *An Act for the more effectual preserving of the King's Person and Government by disabling Papists from sitting in either House of Parliament*, and

5 Eliz. c. 1.

7 Jac. 1. c. 6

1 W.&M. c. 8

30 Car. 2. st. 2. c. 1.

and by the said recited Act passed in the First Year of the Reign of Their late Majesties King *William* and Queen *Mary*, it is provided and enacted, that no Person that should thereafter be a Member of the House of Commons should vote in the House of Commons, or sit there during any Debate after the Speaker should be chosen, until such Member should solemnly at the Table in the Middle of the said House, and whilst a full House was there duly sitting with their Speaker in his Chair, take the same Oaths so required by the said first-recited Acts to be taken before the Lord Steward or his Deputies: And whereas such Repetition of the same Oaths is unnecessary and inexpedient; 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 so much of the said recited Acts as requires the said Oaths to be so received, pronounced, and taken by such Knights, Citizens, Burgesses, and Barons, before the Lord Steward for the Time being, or his Deputy or Deputies, shall be and is hereby repealed.

Repealing so much of recited Acts as requires the Oaths to be taken by Members before the Lord Steward.

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