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An Act to explain and remove Doubts touching the Admiralty. [2d *July* 1827.]

WHEREAS Doubts may arise whether the Powers and Privileges given to, and the Duties imposed upon, the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral by various Acts of Parliament, do extend and apply to the Lord High Admiral: And whereas it is expedient that such Doubts should be removed: May it therefore please Your Majesty that it may be declared and enacted; and be it declared and 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 all Powers, Privileges, Authorities, Jurisdictions, and Exemptions given to, and all Duties and Obligations imposed upon, the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral for the Time being, or any Two or more of them, or given to or imposed upon any other Person or Body Corporate in relation to the said Commissioners or any of them, by any Act of Parliament now in force, do extend and apply, and shall be deemed, taken, and adjudged to extend and apply, to the Lord High Admiral for the Time being, and to such Person or Body Corporate in relation to the Lord High Admiral for the Time being, in like Manner and to all Intents and Purposes as if the Lord High Admiral had been expressly named in such Acts of Parliament.

Powers and Privileges given by any Act to the Commissioners of the Admiralty to extend to the Lord High Admiral.

Powers given to the First Commissioner to extend to the Lord High Admiral.

II. And be it further declared and enacted, That all Powers, Privileges, Authorities, Jurisdictions, and Exemptions given to, and Duties imposed upon, the First Commissioner of the Admiralty by any Act of Parliament now in force, shall extend and apply, and be deemed and taken to extend and apply, in like Manner, to the Lord High Admiral for the Time being.

The Signatures of Two of the Council to have the same Effect as of Two Commissioners.

III. And be it further declared and enacted, That in all Cases in which the Signatures of any Two or more of the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral would be sufficient, if the said Office were executed by Commissioners, to give effect to any Commission, Warrant, Order, or other Document whatsoever, the Signature of any Two or more of the Council of the Lord High Admiral, affixed by his Authority for that Purpose, shall be taken and adjudged to have the like Force and Efficacy.

Appointment of Members of the Council.

Proviso as to present Members.

IV. And be it further enacted, That the Members of the Council of the Lord High Admiral shall, from and after the passing of this Act, be appointed by His Majesty, and be removable at His Majesty's Pleasure: Provided always, that no Person holding the Office of a Member of the present Council, being a Member of the House of Commons at the Time of the passing of this Act, shall vacate his Seat by reason of being re-appointed to the same under the Provisions of this Act, or of his being made removable from the said Office at the Pleasure of His Majesty.

Members of the Council not deemed to hold a new Office.

V. And be it further enacted, That the Members of the Council of the Lord High Admiral for the Time being shall not be deemed and taken to have or hold any new Offices or Places of Profit within the Meaning of an Act passed in the Sixth Year of the Reign of Her Majesty Queen *Anne*, intituled *An Act for the Security of Her Majesty's Person and Government, and of the Succession to the Crown of* Great Britain *in the Protestant Line.*

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