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CAP. LXXXVIII.

An Act to make Provisions for a limited Time respecting certain Grants of Offices. [15th *June* 1810.]

WHEREAS on Account of certain Proceedings depending in Parliament, it is expedient to establish the Provisions herein-after mentioned respecting certain Grants of Offices for a limited Time; 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 from and after the passing of this Act until the First Day of *February* One thousand eight hundred and twelve, no Public Office, Place, or Employment, shall be granted in Reversion, or for joint Lives with Benefit of Survivorship, or for Two or more Lives in Succession, by His Majesty, His Heirs or Successors, or by any Board or Department of Government; and that during the Time aforesaid no Office, Place, or Employment, in any of His Majesty's Courts of Common Law or Equity, shall be so granted, save as herein-after is excepted.

Until Feb. 1, 1812, no Public Office shall be granted in Reversion, &c.

II. And be it further enacted, That every Grant or Appointment which may hereafter be made contrary to the true Intent and Meaning of this Act, shall be to all Intents and Purposes void; and that all Salary and Emoluments received under any such Grant or Appointment shall and may be recovered by Information at the Suit of His Majesty's Attorney General in the Court of Exchequer, to the Use of His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors: Provided, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to make void any Grant of any Office, Place, or Employment, in any of His Majesty's Courts of Law, which shall be made by any Chief Judge, Officers

Grants contrary hereto to be void.

Grants of Offices in Courts of Law exempted under certain Limitations.

Officers or Officer of any ſuch Court being ſuch Chief Judge, Officers or Officer at the Time of paſſing this Act; or to make void any Grant of any Office, Place, or Employment, in any ſuch Courts which ſhall hereafter be made by any other Perſon or Perſons having at the Time of paſſing this Act the Right of granting any ſuch Office, Place, or Employment, if ſuch Office, Place, or Employment, was vacant at the Time of paſſing this Act, or which ſhall be made by any other Officer or Officers of the ſaid Courts not being ſuch at the Time of paſſing this Act, but becoming ſuch by virtue of Appointments hereafter made by the Perſons reſpectively who at the Time of paſſing this Act are the Chief Judges, Officers or Officer of ſuch Courts: Provided, that nothing herein contained ſhall extend or be conſtrued to extend, to ſave or render valid and effectual, any Grants hereafter to be made by any ſuch Chief Judges, Officers, or other Perſons as aforeſaid, of Offices in Reverſion, or for joint Lives with Benefit of Survivorſhip, or for Two or more Lives in Succeſſion, which Offices had not before been granted in Reverſion, or for joint Lives with Benefit of Survivorſhip, or for Two or more Lives in Succeſſion; nor to make good any Grants which ſuch Judges, Officers or Officer, or other Perſons reſpectively would not have been entitled by Law to make, if this Act had not paſſed; Provided alſo, that nothing herein contained ſhall be conſtrued to make void any Grants of any Offices, Places, or Employments, in any of His Majeſty's Courts of Law which ſhall be granted by His Majeſty, His Heirs or Succeſſors, in Reverſion or for joint Lives with Benefit of Survivorſhip, or for Two or more Lives in Succeſſion, upon the Requeſt or Recommendation of the Chief Judges or Officers of His Majeſty's ſaid Courts, being ſuch at the Time of paſſing this Act, and which Offices, Places, or Employments, have been heretofore ſo granted upon ſuch Requeſt or Recommendation: Provided alſo, that this Act ſhall not be taken to prohibit the Appointment of Aſſiſtants and Succeſſors to the Parochial Clergy of *Scotland*.

Not to prohibit the Appointment of Aſſiſtants and Succeſſors to the Clergy of Scotland.

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