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An Act for repealing ſuch Parts of ſeveral Acts as allow pecuniary and other Rewards on the Conviction of Perſons for Highway Robbery, and other Crimes and Offences; and for facilitating the Means of proſecuting Perſons accuſed of Felony and other Offences. [3d *June* 1818.]

WHEREAS by an Act of Parliament made and paſſed in the Fourth Year of the Reign of their late Majeſties King *William* and Queen *Mary*, intituled *An Act for encouraging the apprehending of Highwaymen*, it is enacted, that from and after the Twenty-fifth Day of *March* One thouſand ſix hundred and ninety-three, all and every Perſon and Perſons who ſhall apprehend and take one or more Thieves or Robbers, and proſecute him or them ſo apprehended and taken, until he or they be convicted of any Robbery committed in or upon any Highway, Paſſage, Field, or open Place, ſhall have and receive from the Sheriff or Sheriffs of the County where ſuch Robbery and Conviction ſhall be made and done, without paying any Fee for the ſame, for every ſuch Offender ſo convicted, the Sum of Forty Pounds within One Month after ſuch Conviction and Demand thereof made, on tendering to ſuch Sheriff or Sheriffs a Certificate of ſuch Conviction, and that ſuch Felon or Felons was or were taken by the Perſon or Perſons claiming ſuch Reward; ſuch Certificate to be ſigned in Manner thereby directed; and which ſaid Rewards on ſuch Convictions as aforeſaid are by the ſaid Act directed to be allowed to the reſpective Sheriffs paying the ſame, or to

4 W. & M. c. 8.

their Executors or Adminiſtrators, in accounting with their ſaid late Majeſties, their Heirs and Succeſſors: And whereas by an Act of Parliament made and paſſed in the Sixth and Seventh Years of the Reign of His late
6 & 7 W. 3. c. 17. Majeſty King *William* the Third, intituled *An Act to prevent counterfeiting and clipping the Coin of this Kingdom*, it is enacted, that from and after the Firſt Day of *May* One thouſand ſix hundred and ninety-five, all and every Perſon and Perſons who ſhall apprehend and take any Perſon or Perſons who ſhall have counterfeited any of the Current Coin of this Realm, or that for Lucre or Gain ſhall have clipped, waſhed, filed, or anyways diminiſhed the ſame, or ſhall bring or cauſe to be brought into this Kingdom, the Dominion of *Wales*, or Town of *Berwick-upon-Tweed*, any clipt, falſe, or counterfeit Coin, and proſecute ſuch Perſon or Perſons until he, ſhe, or they be convicted of any ſuch Offence, ſhall have and receive from the Sheriff or Sheriffs of the County where ſuch Conviction ſhall be made, for every ſuch Offender ſo convicted, the Sum of Forty Pounds, without paying any Fee for the ſame, within One Month after ſuch Conviction and Demand thereof made, on tendering to ſuch Sheriff or Sheriffs a Certificate of ſuch Conviction, and that ſuch Traitor or Traitors was or were taken and proſecuted by the Perſon or Perſons claiming ſuch Reward, ſuch Certificate to be ſigned in Manner thereby directed; and which Rewards on ſuch laſt-mentioned Convictions are by the ſaid laſt-mentioned Act directed to be allowed to the reſpective Sheriffs paying the ſame, their Executors or Adminiſtrators, in accounting with His ſaid late Majeſty King *William* the Third: And whereas by an Act of Parliament made and paſſed in the Tenth and Eleventh Years of the Reign of His
10 & 11 W. 3. c. 23. ſaid late Majeſty King *William* the Third, intituled *An Act for the better apprehending, proſecuting, and puniſhing of Felons that commit Burglary, Houſebreaking, or robbing in Shops, Warehouſes, Coach-houſes, or Stables, or that ſteal Horſes*, it is enacted, that from and after the Twentieth Day of *May* One thouſand ſix hundred and ninety-nine, all and every Perſon and Perſons who ſhall apprehend and take any Perſon guilty of any of the Felonies therein-before mentioned, and proſecute him, her, or them ſo apprehended and taken, until he, ſhe, or they be convicted of any of the Felonies therein-before mentioned, ſuch Apprehenders and Takers, for his, her, or their Reward, upon every ſuch Conviction, without any Fee or Reward to be paid for the ſame, ſhall have forthwith after every ſuch Conviction a Certificate, to be ſigned in Manner therein mentioned, certifying ſuch Conviction, and alſo within what Pariſh or Place the Felony was committed, whereof any ſuch Perſon or Perſons was or were convicted as aforeſaid, and alſo that ſuch Felon or Felons was or were diſcovered and taken, or diſcovered or taken by the Perſon or Perſons ſo diſcovering or apprehending any the ſaid Felon or Felons, and which Certificate ſhall or may be once aſſigned over, and no more, and the original Proprietor of ſuch Certificate, or the Aſſignee of the ſame, whomſoever of them ſhall have the Intereſt therein, by virtue thereof, and of the ſaid laſt-mentioned Act, ſhall and may be diſcharged of and from all and all Manner of Pariſh and Ward Offices within the Pariſh or Ward wherein the Felony or Felonies ſhall be committed, and ſuch Party or Aſſignee is thereby declared to be diſcharged therefrom; which ſaid Certificate is directed to be enrolled in the Manner therein mentioned: And whereas by an Act of Parliament made and paſſed in the Fifth Year
5 Anne c. 31. of the Reign of Her late Majeſty Queen *Anne*, intituled *An Act for the encouraging the Diſcovery and apprehending of Houſebreakers*, it is enacted, that from and after the Tenth Day of *May* One thouſand ſeven hundred and

and ſeven, all and every Perſon and Perſons who ſhall apprehend and take any Perſon or Perſons guilty of Burglary, or the felonious breaking and entering of any Houſe in the Day-time, and proſecute him, her, or them ſo apprehended and taken, until he, ſhe, or they be convicted of ſuch Burglary or Felony, ſhall have and receive, over and above the Rewards given by the ſaid recited Act of the Tenth and Eleventh Years of King *William* and Queen *Mary*, the Sum of Forty Pounds, within One Month after ſuch Conviction, to be paid by the Sheriff or Sheriffs of the County where ſuch Felony or Burglary ſhall be made and done, without any Fee for the ſame, to the Perſon or Perſons ſo taking, apprehending, and proſecuting the ſaid Offenders, he and they tendering to ſuch Sheriff or Sheriffs a Certificate of ſuch Conviction, and in what Pariſh the ſame was committed, and that ſuch Felon or Felons was or were taken by the Perſon or Perſons claiming ſuch Reward; ſuch Certificate to be ſigned in Manner thereby directed; and which ſaid Rewards on ſuch Convictions as aforeſaid are by the ſaid laſt-recited Act directed to be allowed to the reſpective Sheriffs paying the ſame, their Executors or Adminiſtrators, in their Accounts: And whereas by an Act of Parliament made and paſſed in the Fourteenth Year of the Reign of His late Majeſty King *George* the Second, intituled *An Act to render the Laws more effectual for preventing the ſtealing and deſtroying of Sheep and other Cattle*, it is enacted, that from and after the Firſt Day of *May* One thouſand ſeven hundred and forty-one, all and every Perſon and Perſons who ſhall apprehend and proſecute to Conviction any Offender or Offenders guilty of any of the Offences therein-before mentioned, ſhall have and receive as a Reward, upon every ſuch Conviction, the Sum of Ten Pounds, to be paid, within One Month after ſuch reſpective Conviction, by the Sheriff or Sheriffs of the County where ſuch Offence or Offences ſhall be committed and done, without any Deduction, to the Perſon or Perſons ſo apprehending and proſecuting ſuch Offender or Offenders, he or they tendering to ſuch Sheriff or Sheriffs a Certificate of ſuch Conviction, and where the Offence was committed, and that ſuch Offender or Offenders was or were apprehended and proſecuted by the Perſon or Perſons claiming ſuch Reward; ſuch Certificate to be ſigned in Manner thereby directed; and which ſaid Rewards on ſuch laſt-mentioned Convictions are by the ſaid laſt-mentioned Act directed to be allowed to the reſpective Sheriffs paying the ſame, their Executors or Adminiſtrators, in their reſpective Accounts: And whereas by an Act of Parliament made and paſſed in the Fifteenth Year of the Reign of His ſaid late Majeſty King *George* the Second, intituled *An Act for the more effectual preventing the counterfeiting of the current Coin of this Kingdom, and the uttering or paying of falſe or counterfeit Coin*, it is enacted, that whoſoever ſhall, after the Twenty-ninth Day of *September* One thouſand ſeven hundred and forty-two, apprehend any Perſon or Perſons who ſhall have committed any of the Offences thereby made High Treaſon or Felony, or who ſhall have made or counterfeited any of the Copper Money therein mentioned, and ſhall proſecute ſuch Offenders until he, ſhe, or they ſhall be thereof convicted, ſuch Proſecutor and Proſecutors ſhall have and receive from the Sheriff or Sheriffs of the County or City where ſuch Conviction ſhall be made, for every ſuch Offender ſo convicted of any of the Treaſons or Felonies aforeſaid, the Sum of Forty Pounds; and for every Perſon ſo convicted of counterfeiting any of the ſaid Copper Money, the Sum of Ten Pounds, without paying any Fee for the ſame, within One Month after ſuch Conviction and Demand thereof made, by tendering a Certificate to the ſaid Sheriff or Sheriffs, certifying ſuch Conviction, and that

14 G. 2. c. 6.

15 G. 2. c. 28.

that the Offender or Offenders were apprehended and profecuted by the Perſons claiming the ſaid Reward; ſuch Certificate to be ſigned in Manner thereby directed; and which ſaid Rewards on ſuch laſt-mentioned Convictions are by the ſaid laſt-mentioned Act directed to be allowed to any ſuch Sheriff or Sheriffs upon his or their accounting with His ſaid late Majeſty King *George* the Second: And whereas it has been found by Experience that the Encouragement given by the ſaid ſeveral recited Acts of Parliament, by way of pecuniary and other Rewards, for the Apprehenſion and Proſecution to Conviction of Perſons guilty of the ſeveral Crimes and Offences therein mentioned or referred to, has not produced the wholeſome Effects of diminiſhing the Crimes and Offences thereby intended to be prevented or checked; and it has alſo been found by Experience that the Hope or Expectation of obtaining ſuch Rewards, or ſome or one of them, or ſome other pecuniary Reward or Compenſation, has inſtigated evil-diſpoſed Perſons to conſpire to entrap the unwary and ignorant into the Commiſſion of Offences, for which they have afterwards been apprehended and proſecuted to Conviction by ſuch Conſpirators, whereby Encouragement has not only been given to the Commiſſion of ſuch Crimes and Offences, but the Laws of God and Man have been violently tranſgreſſed: 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 Act of the Fourth Year of the Reign of their ſaid late Majeſties King *William* and Queen *Mary*, as authorizes and directs the Receipt and Payment of the Sum of Forty Pounds by way of Reward by and to every Perſon and Perſons who ſhall apprehend and take and proſecute to Conviction One or more Thieves or Robbers, for any Robbery committed in or upon any Highway, Paſſage, Field, or open Place, and for the Allowance of the Payment of ſuch Reward of Forty Pounds to the Sheriff or Sheriffs paying the ſame, or their Executors or Adminiſtrators, in the Accounts of ſuch Sheriff or Sheriffs; and alſo, that ſo much of the ſaid recited Act of the Sixth and Seventh Years of the Reign of His ſaid late Majeſty King *William* the Third, as authorizes and directs the Receipt and Payment of the Sum of Forty Pounds by way of Reward by and to all and every Perſon and Perſons who ſhall apprehend and take any Perſon or Perſons who ſhall have counterfeited any of the current Coin of this Realm, or that for Lucre or Gain ſhall have clipped, waſhed, filed, or anyways diminiſhed the ſame, or ſhall bring or cauſe to be brought into this Kingdom, the Dominion of *Wales*, or Town of *Berwick-upon-Tweed*, any clipt, falſe, or counterfeit Coin, and proſecute ſuch Perſon or Perſons until he, ſhe, or they be convicted of any ſuch laſt-mentioned Offence or Offences, and alſo as directs the Allowance of the Payment of ſuch laſt-mentioned Reward of Forty Pounds to the Sheriff or Sheriffs paying the ſame, or to their Executors or Adminiſtrators, in the Accounts of ſuch Sheriff or Sheriffs; and alſo that ſo much of the ſaid recited Act of the Fifth Year of the Reign of Her ſaid late Majeſty Queen *Anne*, as authorizes and directs the Receipt and Payment of the Sum of Forty Pounds by way of Reward by and to all and every Perſon and Perſons who ſhall apprehend and take any Perſon or Perſons guilty of Burglary, or the felonious breaking and entering of any Houſe in the Day-time, and proſecute him, her, or them ſo apprehended and taken, until he, ſhe, or they be convicted of ſuch Burglary or Felony, and alſo as directs the Allowance of the Payment of ſuch laſt-mentioned Reward of Forty

So much of recited Acts as directs Payment of Rewards on Convictions of certain Crimes repealed.

Pounds to the Sheriff or Sheriffs paying the ſame, or to their Executors or Adminiſtrators, in the Accounts of ſuch Sheriff or Sheriffs; and alſo that ſo much of the ſaid recited Act of the Fourteenth Year of the Reign of His ſaid late Majeſty King *George* the Second, as authorizes and directs the Receipt and Payment of the Sum of Ten Pounds by way of Reward by and to all and every Perſon and Perſons who ſhall apprehend and proſecute to Conviction any Offender or Offenders who ſhall feloniouſly drive away, or in any other Manner feloniouſly ſteal, one or more Sheep of any other Perſon or Perſons whatſoever, with a felonious Intent to ſteal the whole Carcaſe or Carcaſes, or any Part or Parts of the Carcaſe or Carcaſes of any One or more Sheep or other Cattle that ſhall be ſo killed, or ſhall aſſiſt or aid any Perſon or Perſons to commit any ſuch Offence or Offences; and alſo as directs the Allowance of the Payment of ſuch laſt-mentioned Reward of Ten Pounds to the Sheriff or Sheriffs paying the ſame, or to their Executors or Adminiſtrators, in the Accounts of ſuch Sheriff or Sheriffs; and alſo that ſo much of the ſaid recited Act of the Fifteenth Year of the Reign of His ſaid late Majeſty King *George* the Second, as authorizes and directs the Receipt and Payment of the Sum of Forty Pounds by way of Reward by and to whoever ſhall apprehend any Perſon or Perſons who ſhall have committed any of the Offences by the ſame Act made High Treaſon or Felony, and the Receipt and Payment of the Sum of Ten Pounds by way of Reward by and to whoever ſhall in like Manner apprehend any Perſon or Perſons who ſhall have made or counterfeited any of the Copper Money therein mentioned, and ſhall proſecute ſuch ſeveral and reſpective Offenders until he, ſhe, or they ſhall be thereof reſpectively convicted; and alſo as directs the Allowance of the Payment of ſuch laſt-mentioned Rewards of Forty Pounds and Ten Pounds to the Sheriff or Sheriffs paying the ſame, upon his or their accounting with His Majeſty; ſhall be and the ſame is and are hereby ſeverally and reſpectively repealed.

Certificates granted under 10 & 11 W. 3. c. 23. not to be transferrable.

II. And be it further enacted, That from and after the paſſing of this Act, no Certificate which ſhall be granted, purſuant to the ſaid recited Act of the Tenth and Eleventh Years of the Reign of King *William* the Third, to any Perſon or Perſons who ſhall apprehend and take and proſecute to Conviction any Perſon guilty of any of the Felonies therein-before mentioned, to diſcharge ſuch Perſon or Perſons ſo apprehending and proſecuting from Pariſh and Ward Offices, ſhall be aſſignable or transferrable by the Perſon or Perſons to whom ſuch Certificate ſhall be originally granted, to any Perſon or Perſons whomſoever; nor ſhall any ſuch Certificate or Certificates exempt or diſcharge from Pariſh or Ward Offices any other Perſon or Perſons whomſoever than the Perſon or Perſons to whom the ſame was originally granted; the ſaid recited Act of the Tenth and Eleventh Years of the Reign of King *William* the Third, or any other Law, Uſage, or Cuſtom to the contrary in anywiſe notwithſtanding.

Saving to the Executors of Perſons killed by Robbers, &c.

III. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That nothing herein contained ſhall extend or be conſtrued to extend to take away from or deprive the Executors or Adminiſtrators of any Perſon or Perſons who ſhall happen to be killed by any Robber or Robbers endeavouring to apprehend or in making purſuit after him or them, of any Reward or Rewards to which the Executors or Adminiſtrators of any Perſon or Perſons ſo happening to be killed would be entitled by the ſaid recited Act of the Fourth Year of the Reign of their ſaid late Majeſties King *William*

William and Queen *Mary*; nor to deprive any Perſon or Perſons of the Horſe, Furniture and Arms, Money or other Goods of any Robber or Robbers, and which by the ſame Statute are directed to become the Property of any Perſon or Perſons who ſhall take, apprehend, proſecute, or convict any ſuch Robber or Robbers as therein mentioned; nor ſhall any Thing herein contained extend or be conſtrued to extend to deprive the Executors or Adminiſtrators of any Watchman or any other Perſon or Perſons who ſhall happen to be killed by any Burglar or Houſebreaker endeavouring to apprehend or in making purſuit after him or them, of any Reward or Rewards to which ſuch Executors or Adminiſtrators would be entitled by virtue of the ſaid recited Act of the Fifth Year of the Reign of Her ſaid late Majeſty Queen *Anne*.

Court empowered to order Payment of Expences of Proſecution.

IV. And whereas many Perſons are deterred from proſecuting Perſons guilty of Felony, upon account of the Expence and Loſs of Time attending ſuch Proſecutions, whereby the Ends of Juſtice are frequently defeated; be it therefore enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That from and after the paſſing of this Act it ſhall and may be lawful for the Court before whom any Perſon ſhall be proſecuted or tried for any Grand or Petit Larceny or other Felony, and every ſuch Court is hereby authorized and empowered, at the Requeſt of the Proſecutor, or any other Perſon or Perſons who ſhall become bound in any Recognizance to His Majeſty, His Heirs, and Succeſſors, to proſecute or give Evidence, or who ſhall be ſubpœned to give Evidence, againſt any Perſon or Perſons accuſed of any Grand or Petit Larceny or other Felony, and who ſhall appear to proſecute and give Evidence, or who ſhall appear to the ſaid Court to have been active in the Apprehenſion of any Perſon or Perſons accuſed of any of the Offences in the ſaid herein-before recited Acts mentioned, or any of them, to order the Sheriff or Treaſurer of the County in which the Offence ſhall have been committed to pay unto ſuch Proſecutor and Witneſſes, and Perſon or Perſons concerned in ſuch Apprehenſion as aforeſaid, reſpectively, as herein-after mentioned, as well the Coſts, Charges, and Expences which ſuch Proſecutor ſhall be put to in preferring the Indictment or Indictments againſt the Perſon or Perſons ſo accuſed, as alſo ſuch Sum and Sums of Money as to the ſaid Court ſhall ſeem reaſonable and ſufficient to reimburſe ſuch Proſecutor and Witneſſes, and Perſon or Perſons concerned in ſuch Apprehenſion as aforeſaid, for the Expences they ſhall have been put ſeverally to in attending before the Grand Jury to prefer ſuch Indictment or Indictments, and in otherwiſe carrying on ſuch Proſecution, and alſo compenſate ſuch Proſecutor and Witneſſes, and Perſon or Perſons concerned in ſuch Apprehenſion as aforeſaid, reſpectively, for their Loſs of Time and Trouble in ſuch Apprehenſion and Proſecution as aforeſaid.

To be paid by the Sheriff of the County.

V. And be it further enacted, That in caſe the ſaid Judge, Juſtices, or Court ſhall make any Order and Direction for the Payment of any ſuch Sum or Sums of Money to any Perſon or Perſons concerned in the Apprehenſion and taking of any Perſon or Perſons accuſed of any of the Offences in the ſaid herein-before recited Acts mentioned, or any of them, the ſame ſhall be paid by the Sheriff of the County in which the Offence ſhall have been committed; and in the like Manner, upon the like Certificate, and at the ſame Period of Time as the Rewards are directed to be paid by the ſaid recited Acts of Fourth *William* and *Mary*, Sixth *William* the Third, Fifth *Anne*, the Third and Fourteenth and

Fifteenth *George* the Second; and that every ſuch Certificate ſhall be made out by the Clerk of Aſſize or Clerk of the Peace reſpectively, and be forthwith delivered to the Perſon or Perſons entitled to the ſame, upon Payment of the Sum of Five Shillings for each ſuch Certificate; and that the Sheriff of the County, upon Payment of the Sum of Money ſpecified in ſuch Certificate, ſhall be reimburſed the ſaid Sum of Money in like Manner as is directed by the ſaid ſeveral and reſpective Acts herein-before recited.

The Order for Coſts to be made by the Clerk of Aſſize, and to be paid by the Treaſurer of the County.

VI. And be it further enacted, That every ſuch Order for the Coſts and Charges aſſigned by this Act to Proſecutors and Witneſſes ſhall be made out by the Clerk of Aſſize or Clerk of the Peace reſpectively; which Order the Clerk of Aſſize or Clerk of the Peace is hereby directed and required forthwith to make out and deliver unto ſuch Proſecutor, upon being paid for the ſame the Sum of One Shilling and no more; and the Treaſurer of the ſaid County, Riding, or Diviſion is hereby authorized and required, upon Sight of ſuch Order, forthwith to pay to ſuch Proſecutor, or other Perſon authorized to receive the ſame, ſuch Money as aforeſaid, and ſhall be allowed the ſame in his Account.

Notices by 25 G. 2. c. 36. directed to be given to Conſtables in certain Caſes,

VII. Whereas by an Act of Parliament made and paſſed in the Twenty-fifth Year of the Reign of His late Majeſty King *George* the Second, intituled *An Act for preventing Thefts and Robberies, and for regulating Places of Public Entertainment, and puniſhing Perſons keeping diſorderly Houſes*, it is amongſt other Things enacted, that if any Two Inhabitants of any Pariſh or Place, paying Scot and bearing Lot therein, do give Notice in Writing to any Conſtable, or other Peace Officer of the like Nature where there is no Conſtable of ſuch Pariſh or Place, of any Perſon keeping a Bawdy-houſe, Gaming-houſe, or any other diſorderly Houſe in ſuch Pariſh or Place, the Conſtable or ſuch Officer as aforeſaid ſo receiving ſuch Notice ſhall forthwith go with ſuch Inhabitants to one of His Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace of the County, City, Riding, Diviſion, or Liberty in which ſuch Pariſh or Place does lie, and ſhall, upon ſuch Inhabitants making Oath before ſuch Juſtice that they do believe the Contents of ſuch Notice to be true, and entering into a Recognizance in the penal Sum of Twenty Pounds each to give or produce material Evidence againſt ſuch Perſon for ſuch Offence, enter into a Recognizance in the penal Sum of Thirty Pounds to proſecute with Effect ſuch Perſon for ſuch Offence at the next General or Quarter Seſſions of the Peace, or at the next Aſſizes to be holden for the County in which ſuch Pariſh or Place does lie, as to the ſaid Juſtice ſhall ſeem meet: And whereas it is expedient, that when any Two Inhabitants of any Pariſh or Place, paying Scot and bearing Lot therein, ſhall give Notice in Writing to any Conſtable of ſuch Pariſh or Place of any Perſon keeping a Bawdy-houſe, Gaming-houſe, or any other diſorderly Houſe, in ſuch Pariſh or Place, that the Overſeers of the Poor of ſuch Pariſh or Place ſhall have Notice thereof; therefore be it enacted, and it is hereby enacted, That a Copy of the Notice which ſhall be given to ſuch Conſtable ſhall alſo be ſerved on or left at the Places of Abode of the Overſeers of the Poor of ſuch Pariſh or Place, or one of them, and ſuch Overſeers or Overſeer of the Poor ſhall be ſummoned or have reaſonable Notice to attend before ſuch Juſtice of the Peace before whom ſuch Conſtable ſhall have Notice to attend; and if ſuch Overſeers or Overſeer of the Poor ſhall then and there enter into ſuch Recognizance to proſecute ſuch Offender as the Conſtable is in and

to be given alſo to the Overſeers of the Poor;

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by the ſaid Act required to enter into, then it ſhall not be neceſſary for, nor ſhall ſuch Conſtable be required to enter into ſuch Recognizance; but if ſuch Overſeers or Overſeer of the Poor ſhall neglect to attend ſuch Juſtice on having ſuch Notice, or ſhall attend, and ſhall decline or refuſe to enter into ſuch Recognizance to proſecute, then ſuch Conſtable ſhall enter into the ſame, and ſhall proſecute, and ſhall be entitled to his Expences, to be allowed as in and by the ſaid Act is directed.

To whom Coſts ſhall be paid.

VIII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That no Perſon or Perſons ſhall be entitled to any ſuch Coſts or Expences for attending the Court, unleſs he or they ſhall have been bound by Recognizance, or have previouſly received a Subpœna to attend the ſame, or a written Notice for that Purpoſe from the Proſecutor, his Agent, or his Attorney.

In Places which do not contribute to the County Rate, and have no public Stock, a ſeparate Rate to be levied for the Purpoſes of this Act.

IX. And whereas there are ſeveral Cities, Towns Corporate, and Places which do not contribute to the Payment of any County Rate, and have no Town Rate or Public Stock; and Doubts may ariſe whether ſuch Cities, Towns Corporate, and Places can be legally rated and aſſeſſed towards the Payments by this Act directed to be made; be it therefore enacted, That in all ſuch Caſes the ſaid Coſts, Charges, Expences, Sum and Sums of Money, and Compenſations ſhall be raiſed, levied, collected, and paid within ſuch Cities, Towns Corporate, and Places, by a ſeparate Rate and Aſſeſſment to be made by the Churchwardens and Overſeers of the Poor of the ſeveral Pariſhes and Precincts within ſuch Cities, Towns Corporate, and Places, and by ſuch and the like Ways, Methods, and Means, as the Rates for the Relief of the Poor are, can, or may be raiſed, levied, and collected in ſuch Cities, Towns Corporate, and Places.

Where Sums are too ſmall to be raiſed by a ſeparate Rate, ſuch Sums ſhall be paid out of the Poors Rate.

X. And whereas it may happen that the Sums of Money to be raiſed in the ſaid Cities, Towns Corporate, and Places, or ſome or one of them, for the Payments by this Act directed to be made, may be ſo ſmall that it may not be convenient to make an equal ſeparate Rate and Aſſeſſment for the ſame upon the ſaid Pariſhes and Precincts within ſuch Cities, Towns Corporate, and Places; be it enacted, That in ſuch laſt-mentioned Caſe, and when and ſo often as the ſame ſhall happen, the ſaid Coſts, Charges, Expences, Sum and Sums of Money, and Compenſations, ſhall and may, by Order of the ſaid Court before whom any ſuch Perſon may be tried as aforeſaid, be paid out of the Monies from Time to Time raiſed for the Relief of the Poor in the ſaid ſeveral Cities, Towns Corporate, and Places, and the Treaſurers, or Perſons from Time to Time having the Management of the ſaid Monies raiſed for the Relief of the Poor in the ſame Cities, Towns Corporate and Places reſpectively, are hereby authorized and required to pay the ſaid Sums of Money ſo ordered to be paid as aforeſaid, out of the ſaid laſt-mentioned Monies, when and as often as the ſame ſhall be ſo ordered: Provided always, that ſhould there be more Pariſhes than one in the ſame Diſtrict, the Payments are to be made and levied in ſuch Rates and Proportions as the reſpective Pariſhes pay to the Poor Rate.

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