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# GEORGII III. REGIS.

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An Act for amending an Act of the Fifty-second Year of His present Majesty for regulating the Police of the City of *Edinburgh* and the adjoining Districts, and for other Purposes relating thereto.

[22d *June* 1816.]

WHEREAS an Act was passed in the Fifty-second Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled *An Act for altering and amending an Act of the Forty-fifth Year of His present Majesty for regulating the Police of the City of* Edinburgh *and the adjoining Districts, and for other Purposes relating thereto:* And whereas the Powers granted, and Regulations established by the said recited Act have been found upon Trial to be in some Respects ineffectual for the Preservation of Peace and good Order within the City of *Edinburgh* and the adjoining Districts, and it is expedient to grant other Powers, and establish other Regulations in regard to the same; but as these Purposes cannot be effected without the Aid and Authority of Parliament, may it therefore please Your Majesty that it may be enacted; and be it 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 all and every the Rules and Regulations established by the said recited Act, and by this Act, in regard to the apprehending and bringing to Punishment Persons guilty of Crimes and Delinquencies, shall be applicable not only to the apprehending and bringing to Punishment Persons guilty of the several Crimes and Delinquencies therein specified, but shall extend generally 52 G. 3. c. 172.

generally to the apprehending and bringing to Punishment Criminals and Delinquents of all Descriptions, either for the Purpose of dealing with such Criminals and Delinquents under the Powers granted by the said recited Act, or by this Act, or of remitting them to a higher criminal Tribunal, according to the Nature of the Offences with which they may be severally charged.

Assessment how to be ascertained.

II. And be it enacted, That the Assessment for the Purposes of Police in the said recited Act specified shall continue to be assessed and levied as by the said recited Act directed, according to the real Rent of the Subjects over which it extends; but no Premises shall hereafter be rated at a higher Rent than shall have been charged upon the same in the Assessment in regard to the Property Tax payable to His Majesty for the same Premises as for the Year ending on the Fifth Day of *April* in the present Year One thousand eight hundred and sixteen; but in regard to Premises which shall not have been subject to such last-mentioned Assessment, it shall be competent to the said Commissioners to ascertain the Amount of the real Rent thereof in the Manner by the said recited Act directed, or by a Survey to be made by their Direction; and all and every the Surveyors and Assessors appointed or to be appointed to make Surveys or Assessments for the Purpose of collecting any of the public Taxes payable to His Majesty or his Successors, from which the real Rent of the same Premises may be ascertained, shall be and are hereby authorized and required to give Inspection of the Surveys or Assessments in their Possession from Time to Time, upon being thereto required by or on the Part of the said Commissioners, to any Person or Persons authorized by them for that Purpose.

Appeal.

III. Provided always, That if any Person or Persons shall think himself, herself, or themselves aggrieved by any Assessment made in Manner aforesaid for the Purpose of the said recited Act or this Act, it shall be competent to such Person or Persons, within Twenty-one Days next after the Cause of Complaint shall arise, to appeal therefrom to the Commissioners of Supply for the said City, if the Premises assessed are within the Royalty or extended Royalty thereof, and if without the same, to the Commissioners of Supply for the said County, Notice in Writing being always given to the Clerk to the Commissioners of Police, before lodging such Appeal, and such Commissioners of Supply are hereby authorized and required to take Cognizance thereof, and to hear and determine the Matter of such Appeal, and their Determination shall be final and conclusive.

Provisions of former Act to be in force in so far as not hereby altered.

IV. And be it enacted, That the whole Powers, Authorities, Provisions, Provisoes, Clauses, Matters, and Things, of and in the said recited Act of the Fifty-second Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, shall continue in Force, in so far as not altered by this Act.

Charitable Institutions, &c. exempted from Assessment.

V. And be it enacted, That in Addition to the Exemptions from Assessment in the said recited Act contained, the said Commissioners shall not assess nor shall any Assessment be levied upon any Houses or Buildings erected or to be erected for the Purposes of public Charity, nor upon any House or Premises occupied or to be occupied by the Trustees of the Fund for the Widows of Ministers of the Church and Professors of the Universities

Universities in *Scotland*, nor upon any Places of Public Worship, nor upon any Public Buildings erected or to be erected for the Purposes of Science or Education.

Expences of this Act.

VI. And be it enacted, That the Expences of preparing, applying for, and obtaining this Act, shall be defrayed from the Funds of the said Commissioners, which were by the said first-recited Act directed to be applied in Payment of the Expences of preparing, applying for, and obtaining the same; and in order to discharge the same, the Assessment of One Penny in the Pound Sterling of the Yearly Rent of all Houses and Premises provided by and presently levied under the said recited Act shall be continued to be assessed and made effectual, until the Expences of preparing, applying for, and obtaining this Act, shall be fully paid and satisfied, along with the other Expences and Contingencies to which the said Assessment is declared to be subject.

Public Act.

VII. And be it enacted, That this Act shall be deemed and taken to be a Public Act, and shall be judicially taken Notice of as such by all Judges, Justices, and others, without being specially pleaded.

Commencement and Continuance of the Act.

VIII. And be it enacted, That this Act shall take effect from and after the passing thereof, and shall continue for One Year, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament.

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