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An Act to enlarge the Powers of the Governor General of *India* in Council at Meetings for making Laws and Regulations, and to amend the Law respecting the Territorial Limits of the several Presidencies and Lieutenant Governorships in *India*. [9th *May* 1865.]

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Session holden in the Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth Years of the Reign of Her present Majesty, Chapter Sixty-seven, it was, among other things, enacted, that the Governor General of *India* in Council shall have Power, at Meetings for the Purpose of making Laws and Regulations, to make Laws and Regulations for all Persons, whether *British* or Native, Foreigners or others, within the *Indian* Territories under the Dominion of Her Majesty, and for all Servants of the Government of *India* within the Dominions of Princes and States in alliance with Her Majesty: And whereas it is expedient to enlarge the said Power by authorizing the Governor General of *India* in Council to make Laws and Regulations for all *British* Subjects of Her Majesty within the Dominions of such Princes and States: Be it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with 24 & 25 Vict. c. 67.

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the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, as follows:

Power to Governor General to make Laws for all British Subjects, whether in Service of Government of India or otherwise.

1. The Governor General of *India* shall have Power, at Meetings for the Purpose of making Laws and Regulations, to make Laws and Regulations for all *British* Subjects of Her Majesty within the Dominions of Princes and States in *India* in alliance with Her Majesty, whether in the Service of the Government of *India* or otherwise.

Preceding Section to be read as Part of Sect. 22. of recited Act.

2. The preceding Section shall be read with and taken as Part of Section Twenty-two of the said Act of the Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth Years of Her Majesty, Chapter Sixty-seven.

Sect. 18. of 16 & 17 Vict. c. 95. repealed.

3. And whereas it is expedient to amend the Law respecting the Territorial Limits of the several Presidencies and Lieutenant Governorships in *India:* Section Eighteen of the Act of the Sixteenth and Seventeenth Years of the Reign of Her present Majesty, Chapter Ninety-five, intituled *An Act to provide for the Government of* India, is hereby repealed.

Power to Governor General to appoint Territorial Limits of Presidencies, &c., by Proclamation.

4. It shall be lawful for the Governor General of *India* in Council from Time to Time to declare and appoint, by Proclamation, what Part or Parts of the *Indian* Territories for the Time being under the Dominion of Her Majesty shall be or continue subject to each of the Presidencies and Lieutenant Governorships for the Time being subsisting in such Territories, and to make such Distribution and Arrangement, or new Distribution and Arrangement, of such Territories into or among such Presidencies and Lieutenant Governorships as to the said Governor General in Council may seem expedient.

Power to Secretary of State in Council to signify Disallowance of such Proclamation.

5. Provided always, That it shall be lawful for the Secretary of State in Council to signify to the said Governor General in Council his Disallowance of any such Proclamation: And provided further, that no such Proclamation for the Purpose of transferring an entire Zillah or District from one Presidency to another, or from one Lieutenant Governorship to another, shall have any Force or Validity until the Sanction of Her Majesty to the same shall have been previously signified by the Secretary of State in Council to the Governor General.

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