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CAP. LXX.

An Act to regulate the Salaries of the Officers of the House of Commons, and to abolish the Sinecure Offices of Principal Committee Clerks and Clerks of Ingrossments. [13th *August* 1834.]

WHEREAS an Act was passed in the Second and Third Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled *An Act for the better Support of the Dignity of the Speaker of the House of Commons, and for disabling the Speaker of the House of Commons for the Time being from holding any Office or Place of Profit during Pleasure under the Crown:* And whereas an Act was passed in the Fifty-second Year of the Reign of His Majesty King *George* the Third, intituled *An Act to repeal an Act passed in the Thirty-ninth and Fortieth Years of His present Majesty, for establishing certain Regulations in the Offices of the House of Commons, and to establish other and further Regulations in the said Offices:* And whereas by the said first-recited Act a clear yearly Sum of Six thousand Pounds was directed to be paid to the Speaker of the House of Commons, and by the said second-recited Act net annual Sums were directed to be paid to certain of the Officers of the House of Commons: And whereas it is deemed expedient to reduce the said several annual Salaries upon the Termination of the existing Interests in such Offices, and also to make Provisions in relation to certain other Offices of the House of Commons: 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

2 & 3 W. 4. c. 105.

52 G. 3. c. 11.

Salary to Speaker.

and by the Authority of the same, That from and after the next Election of a Speaker of the House of Commons the net annual Salary of Five thousand Pounds shall be issued and paid out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* to the Speaker of the House of Commons, in lieu and instead of the annual Sum of Six thousand Pounds now payable to the Speaker out of the said Fund.

Proviso as to present Speaker.

II. Provided always, and be it enacted, That nothing herein contained shall extend or be construed to extend to affect the present Speaker in the Event of his Election to that Office by any future Parliament or Parliaments.

Salary to Speaker's Secretary.

III. And be it enacted, That from and after the Determination of the Appointment of the Person now holding the Office of Secretary to the Speaker the Speaker's Secretary shall have and receive the net annual Sum of Five hundred Pounds in lieu and instead of any Salary, Fees, Perquisites, or Emoluments whatsoever payable to him in respect of his said Office of Speaker's Secretary, and of the Office of Secretary to the Commissioners of the Fee Fund of the House of Commons: Provided always, that the said Office of Secretary to the Commissioners of the Fee Fund of the House of Commons shall be held in conjunction with the Office of Secretary to the Speaker.

Salaries to Clerk, Clerk Assistant, &c.

IV. And be it enacted, That the Clerk of the House of Commons shall have and receive the net annual Sum of Two thousand Pounds, the Clerk Assistant the net annual Sum of One thousand five hundred Pounds, the Second Clerk Assistant the net annual Sum of One thousand Pounds, the Serjeant-at-Arms attending the Speaker of the House of Commons the net annual Sum of One thousand five hundred Pounds, and the Deputy Serjeant-at-Arms the net annual Sum of Eight hundred Pounds; which said respective annual Sums shall be in lieu and instead of the annual Sums granted to those Officers by the said recited Act passed in the Fifty-second Year of the Reign of King *George* the Third.

Act not to affect Persons now holding certain Offices.

V. Provided always, and be it enacted, That nothing hereinbefore contained shall extend or be construed to extend to affect, alter, diminish, or take away any Salary, Allowance, Perquisite, Emolument, or House held, used, or enjoyed by the Persons now holding the several and respective Offices of Clerk of the House of Commons, Clerk Assistant, Second Clerk Assistant, Serjeant and Deputy Serjeant, at the Time of passing this Act.

Sinecure Offices of Committee Clerk and Ingrossing Clerk abolished.

VI. And be it enacted, That the Offices of Principal Committee Clerk and of Clerk of Ingrossments in the House of Commons, now held as Sinecure Offices, shall be abolished: Provided always, that the Commissioners appointed by the said last-recited Act shall be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to make such Compensation out of the Fund under their Care and Management to the present Holders of the aforesaid Offices as may be consistent with the Circumstances of each individual Case.

VII. And

VII. And be it further enacted, That if the present Clerk Assistant should be promoted to the Office of Clerk of the House of Commons, or if the present Second Clerk Assistant should succeed to either of the Offices of Clerk Assistant or Clerk of the House of Commons, they shall have and receive the same Salary as they would respectively have been entitled to under the said recited Act of the Fifty-second Year of the Reign of His Majesty King *George* the Third; any thing in this Act contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Saving for the present Clerk Assistant and Second Clerk Assistant in case either of them should be promoted.

VIII. And be it enacted, That the Salaries, Fees, Perquisites, and Emoluments receivable by or on account of the several Offices of Speaker's Secretary, Principal Committee Clerks, and Ingrossing Clerks, hereby abolished or regulated, shall be carried to and form a Part of the Fund under the Care and Management of the Commissioners for executing the said last-recited Act, which said Commissioners are hereby authorized and directed to pay the net annual Sums herein mentioned, and also the Compensations hereby authorized to be made, in such and the like Manner as they were directed to pay the several Sums in the said Act specified.

Salaries of abolished and regulated Offices carried to Fee Fund.

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