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An Act for the more effectual Administration of Justice in Cities, Towns Corporate, and other local Jurisdictions in *Ireland*. [26th *May* 1826.]

WHEREAS the Number of Justices of the Peace who are empowered to act within several of the Counties of Cities, Counties of Towns, and separate and local Jurisdictions other than Counties at large, in *Ireland*, is in some Cases extremely limited, and the only Persons so empowered to act are in many Cases, from Age and Infirmity, incapacitated for active Performance of Duty: And whereas it would lead to the more effectual Administration of the Law, and to the Prevention of Crime, if the Number of Justices of the Peace were in such Cases to be increased: Now 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 in every Case in which it shall be made appear to the Lord Lieutenant, Lords Justices, or other Chief Governor or Governors, and Privy Council, of *Ireland*, that the Number of Justices authorized to act within such local Jurisdiction respectively is insufficient for the due Administration of the Law, and for the holding Petty Sessions therein, it shall be lawful for the Lord Lieutenant, Lords Justices, or other Chief Governor or Governors of *Ireland*, with the Advice and Assent of the Privy Council, to order and direct that One or more additional Justices shall be appointed within such local Jurisdiction,

Lord Lieutenant, &c. may appoint additional Justices of the Peace in local Jurisdictions.

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as the Circumstances of the Case may appear to them to require; and thereupon the Lord Chancellor, Lords Commissioners, or other Keeper or Keepers of the Great Seal of that Part of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* called *Ireland* for the Time being, and he and they are hereby empowered, by Commission under the Great Seal, to appoint such Person or Persons as he or they shall think fit, not being more in Number than those specified in such Order of the Lord Lieutenant, Lords Justices, or other Chief Governor or Governors, and Council, as aforesaid, to be Justices of the Peace and Quorum, during His Majesty's Pleasure, in and throughout the said local Jurisdictions respectively; which Persons so appointed shall and may have the same Power and Authority to act and to officiate to all Intents and Purposes, and to execute the Duties of Justices of the Peace and Quorum, within the said local Jurisdictions respectively, by virtue of such Commission or Commissions, as any other Justices of the Peace, by Charter or otherwise, are or shall be authorized, appointed, or empowered to act or officiate within the said local Jurisdictions respectively.

Such Justices not to acquire corporate Rank, Power, or Authority.

II. Provided always, That such Justices of the Peace and Quorum so appointed shall not, by reason of such Appointment, possess or exercise any Power or Authority within the Corporation of the said local Jurisdictions respectively, or acquire thereby any corporate Rank, Power, and Authority, of what Kind or Nature soever; provided also, that no Justices shall be appointed under this Act in any City in which a Police Court shall have been established under an Act of Parliament.

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