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GEORGII III. REGIS.

Cap. xxxi.

An Act to alter and amend an Act of the Forty-seventh Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, for erecting a County Hall and other Offices for the County of *Perth*. [2d *May* 1815.]

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Forty-seventh Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled *An Act for erecting a County Hall and other Offices for the County of* Perth, certain Persons were appointed Commissioners for carrying the said Act into Execution, for which Purpose certain Powers and Authorities were committed to them: And whereas the said Commissioners have proceeded in the Execution of the Powers and Authorities by the said Act committed to them; but it has been found that to carry the Purposes of the said Act into full and complete Effect, it is necessary to alter and amend the said Act, and to authorize and empower the said Commissioners to assess and levy further and encreased Rates of Assessment and to borrow a further Sum of Money: 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 it shall and may be lawful to the Commissioners in and by the said recited Act appointed, (in addition to the Sum which by the said recited Act they are authorized and empowered to

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aſſeſs and levy for effecting the Purpoſes thereof,) at their Firſt or any ſubſequent Meeting to be held after the paſſing of this Act, to aſſeſs or cauſe to be aſſeſſed upon all Lands and Fiſhings valued in the Ceſs Books of the ſaid County, any Sum not exceeding Twelve thouſand Pounds Sterling, which additional Aſſeſſment ſhall be levied, recovered, and collected in the ſame Manner, by the ſame Means, and with the like Powers and Authorities, Conditions, and Penalties as in and by the ſaid recited Act are enacted and declared in regard to the Sum which the ſaid Commiſſioners are thereby authorized and empowered to aſſeſs and levy: Provided always, that until One Moiety of the ſaid Sum of Twelve thouſand Pounds ſhall be aſſeſſed and levied, it ſhall not be lawful for the ſaid Commiſſioners to levy or cauſe to be levied in any One Year a greater Proportion or Inſtalment of the ſaid Sum of Twelve thouſand Pounds than ſhall amount to One-half of the whole Annual Land Tax of the ſaid County, including the Land Tax formerly paid for Lands and Fiſhings, the Land Tax of which is now redeemed; and after ſuch Moiety of the ſaid Sum of Twelve thouſand Pounds ſhall have been aſſeſſed and levied, it ſhall not be lawful for the ſaid Commiſſioners to levy or cauſe to be levied in any One Year a greater Proportion or Inſtalment of the ſaid remaining Moiety than ſhall amount to One-fourth of the Annual Land Tax of the ſaid County, ſo eſtimated as aforeſaid.

Power to borrow a further Sum of Money.

II. And be it enacted, That in Addition to the Sum of Ten thouſand Pounds which by the ſaid recited Act the ſaid Commiſſioners are authorized and empowered to borrow and take up at Intereſt, it ſhall be lawful to the ſaid Commiſſioners, and they are hereby authorized and empowered to borrow and take up at Intereſt, on the Security of the additional Aſſeſſment hereby authorized to be levied, ſuch Sum or Sums of Money as they ſhall judge requiſite for carrying the Purpoſes of the ſaid recited Act and of this Act into Execution, provided the whole Amount of the Money to be borrowed under the Authority of this Act ſhall not exceed the Sum of Ten thouſand Pounds Sterling; and it ſhall be lawful for the ſaid Commiſſioners, and they are hereby empowered to aſſign and make over the whole or any Part of the additional Aſſeſſment hereby authorized to be levied to any Perſon or Perſons from whom the Money aforeſaid or any Part thereof ſhall be borrowed, as a Security for Repayment thereof, and the Intereſt ariſing thereon, at a Rate not exceeding Five Pounds *per Centum per Annum;* and the Aſſignments in Security for Money to be borrowed as aforeſaid ſhall be made in Manner as by the ſaid recited Act directed in regard to the Aſſignments therein directed to be made, and ſhall be entered in a Book or Books to be kept by the ſaid Commiſſioners or their Clerk for that Purpoſe, which Book or Books may be ſeen and peruſed by any Perſon or Perſons in any Way intereſted therein, without Fee or Reward; and the Aſſignments in Security to be granted by the ſaid Commiſſioners, for the Purpoſes aforeſaid, ſhall be transferable by Indorſement duly ſubſcribed by the Party transferring in the Preſence of One or more ſubſcribing Witneſs or Witneſſes: Provided always, that the ſaid Commiſſioners, or their Clerk, or ſuch Perſons as they may appoint to receive the Money ſo to be borrowed as aforeſaid, ſhall not be perſonally ſubject to pay the ſame by reaſon of their authorizing the Signature of or ſigning ſuch Aſſignments as before directed.

III. And

Meeting to be held in relation to this Act.

III. And be it enacted, That it ſhall be lawful for the ſaid Commiſſioners, in addition to the ſtated Meetings by the ſaid recited Act directed to be held, to hold a Meeting in relation to the Purpoſes of the preſent Act, at *Perth*, on the Fourth *Monday* after the paſſing thereof, or as ſoon thereafter as conveniently may be, of which Meeting the Sheriff Clerk of the ſaid County is hereby directed and required to give ſimilar Notices as were directed and required to be given in relation to the Firſt Meeting of Commiſſioners under the ſaid recited Act.

Application of Money levied and borrowed.

IV. And be it enacted, That the whole Monies to be levied and collected or borrowed by virtue of this Act as hereinbefore mentioned, ſhall be paid and applied to the building and erecting the Hall, Offices, and Places, in the ſaid recited Act and in this Act mentioned, and to no other Uſe or Purpoſe whatſoever.

Expences how to be paid.

V. And be it enacted, That it ſhall and may be lawful for the ſaid Commiſſioners, at their Firſt or any ſubſequent Meeting after the paſſing of this Act, to aſſeſs or cauſe to be aſſeſſed upon all Lands and Fiſhings valued in the Ceſs Books of the ſaid County, the whole Expences of preparing, procuring, and paſſing the ſaid recited Act and this Act, together with the Intereſt of the Money borrowed or to be borrowed under the Authority of the ſaid recited Act or this Act, and a Sum not exceeding Two thouſand Pounds, to defray the Expences of procuring Deſigns, Charges of Architects, Salaries of Superintendants, Clerks and other Officers employed by the ſaid Commiſſioners, and all other Expences incidental to the carrying the ſaid recited Act and this Act into Execution, to be levied, recovered, and collected with the like Powers, Authorities, Conditions, and Penalties, as are hereinbefore enacted and declared in regard to the Sum which the ſaid Commiſſioners are hereby authorized to aſſeſs and levy: Provided always, that the Aſſeſſment for ſuch Expences ſhall be paid in equal Proportions along with the Three or Four Firſt Years' Proportions or Inſtalments of the Sum to be aſſeſſed and levied by virtue of this Act.

Former Act continued.

VI. And be it enacted, That the ſaid recited Act, and the Powers, Proviſoes, Matters, and Things therein contained, ſhall ſubſiſt and be effectual, in ſo far as the ſame are not altered by this preſent Act.

Public Act.

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

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