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**An Act for affording relief, during a limited time, to Insolvent Debtors. (7th March, 1827.)**

Whereas it is expedient to afford relief to a limited extent from arrest under Writs of Capias ad satisfaciendum to Insolvent Debtors; Be it therefore enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of the Province of Lower-Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of Great Britain, intituled, "An Act to repeal certain parts of an Act passed in the fourteenth year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, 'An Act for making more effectual provision for the Government of the Province of Quebec, in North America;' and to make further provision for the Government of the said Province;" And it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, that from and after the passing of this Act, any person that now is or hereafter shall be arrested and detained in virtue of any Writ of Capias ad satisfaciendum, shall on giving good and sufficient security to the satisfaction of any Justice of His Majesty's Court of King's Bench or Provincial Court for the District, that he will not depart from, nor exceed the limits of the City, Town, Borough or Village where the prison is situate, to which he is or might be committed and imprisoned in virtue of such Capias, be entitled to his liberty, and to go at large within the limits of the City, Town, Borough or Village. And the condition of every recognizance in this behalf shall be, that the Cognizors shall not become liable, unless the Defendant shall depart from or exceed the limits of the City, Town, Borough or Village, without having paid the debt, interest and costs for which the Action shall have been brought.

II. Provided always, and be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that nothing herein contained shall be construed or taken in any manner to affect the right of the Bail to take and surrender the Defendant in discharge of themselves.

III. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that this Act shall be and remain in force until the first day of May, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two, and no longer.