

Statutes of Upper-Canada, Passed in the fourth session of the third provincial parliament (1803). From The Provincial Statutes of Upper-Canada: Revised, Corrected, and Republished (York, R. C. Horne, 1818.)

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An Act the more conveniently to collect the Compensation to the Members of the House of Assembly for their attendance in their Duty in Parliament, and to repeal part of an Act passed in the Parliament of this Province in the thirty-third year of His Majesty's reign, intituled, "An Act to authorize and direct the laying and collecting of Assessments and Rates within this Province, and to provide for the payment of Wages to the House of Assembly. (5th March, 1803.)

Whereas the present mode of Assessment for making compensation to the Members of the House of Assembly for their attendance in their duty in Parliament, is found to be inconvenient; for the more easy collection and payment of the same; 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 Upper 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 by the authority of the same, That alter every prorogation and dissolution of the Assembly of this Province, it shall and may be lawful for every Member thereof having attended, to receive from the Speaker of the House of Assembly, a warrant under his hand and seal, signifying the time that such Member hath attended his duty in the said Assembly; and every Member possessed of such warrant, shall and may ask and demand of the Justices of the Peace for the District in which the County or Riding represented by such Member may be situate, in their General Quarter Sessions assembled, a sum not exceeding ten shillings per day, for every day that the said Member shall have been engaged in the attendance of his duty in the House of Assembly, and have been necessarily absent from his place of abode in going to or returning from his attendance; which sum it shall or may be lawful for the said Justices to levy, by assessment to be made on each and every inhabitant householder in the several parishes, townships, reputed townships, or places, within the County or Riding represented by such Member, in the same manner and form as by law any assessment may now or hereafter be levied for any public purpose in any District in this Province; and for the said Justices to issue their order upon the Treasurer of the District to pay the amount of the sum to which any such Member may be entitled, out of the monies which may come into his hands, under and by virtue of any Act of the Provincial Parliament. And it shall and may be lawful to and for each and every Member, who may now or hereafter represent part of two or more Districts, to ask and demand from the Speaker of the House of Assembly, who is hereby authorized and required to grant the same, a Warrant directed to the Justices in General Quarter Sessions assembled, of each of the said Districts; which the said Member shall so represent, which Warrant shall specify the sum that each District is liable to pay, and the Justices thereof respectively; are hereby required to cause the sum specified in such Warrant to be collected and paid to the said Member, in manner and form as herein before directed.

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II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the thirtieth clause of an Act passed in the Parliament of this Province, in the thirty-third year of His Majesty's reign, intituled, "An Act to authorize and direct the laying and collecting of assessments and rates within this Province, and to provide for the payment of Wages to the House of Assembly," shall be, and the same is hereby repealed.