

*Statutes of Upper-Canada, Passed in the second session of the fifth provincial parliament (1810). From The Provincial Statutes of Upper-Canada: Revised, Corrected, and Republished (York, R. C. Horne, 1818.)*

50 George III – Chapter 5

**An Act to declare the Common Gaols in the several Districts of this Province to be Houses of Correction for certain purposes. (Passed 12th March, 1810.)**

Whereas, it is expedient that until Houses of Correction shall be erected in the several Districts of this Province, that the Common Gaol in each and every of the said Districts shall be held and taken to be for certain purposes, a House of Correction: 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 until such Houses of Correction shall be erected as aforesaid, the Common Gaol in each of the said several Districts respectively shall be, and the same is hereby constituted a House of Correction; and that all and every idle and disorderly person, or rogues and vagabonds, and incorrigible rogues, or any other person or persons who may by Law be subject to be committed to a House of Correction, shall be committed to the said Common Gaols in the said Districts respectively, any Law or usage to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.