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At the General Assembly of the Province of Nova Scotia, begun and holden at Halifax, on Tuesday the 28th day of May 1765, in the Fifth Year of His Majesty's Reign, and there continued by several Prorogations until the first day of July, 1767, in the Seventh Year of His said Majesty's Reign; being the Fourth Session of the Fourth General Assembly convened in the said Province.

7 George III – Chapter 3 (Session 1)

An Act in Addition to an Act made in the Fourth Year of His present Majesty's Reign, intitled "An Act to enable the Inhabitants of the several Townships within this Province to maintain their Poor."

Whereas it is provided in and by an Act made in the fourth year of His present Majesty's reign, intitled An Act to enable the Inhabitants of the several Townships within this Province to maintain their Poor, "that it shall and may be lawful for the freeholders of any township within this Province, where there are fifty or more families freeholders resident, to meet on the first Monday in January annually, and to vote such a sum of money as they shall judge necessary for the current year, to support and maintain their poor;" and whereas there are some townships who do not consist of fifty families freeholders resident, which townships labour under great inconveniency for want of a power to make provision for their poor; for remedy whereof, be it enacted by the Governor, Council, and Assembly, that it shall and may be lawful for the freeholders of all such townships, tho' they do not consist of fifty families freeholders resident to proceed in manner and form as is prescribed by the afore recited Act, in the making provision for their poor; and that the said freeholders shall be intitled to all the other powers and prescriptions contained in the said Act, any law, usuage, or custom to the contrary in any wise notwithsstanding.