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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 eighteenth day of June, 1768, in the Eighth Year of His said Majesty's Reign; being the Sixth Session of the Fourth General Assembly convened in the said Province.

8 George III – Chapter 11 (Session 1)

An Act to prevent the malicious killing or maiming of Cattle.

Be it enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Council, and Assembly, that if any person or persons, shall maliciously, unlawfully, and willingly, kill, maim, wound, or otherwise hurt, any horses, sheep, or other cattle, every such offender or offenders shall lose and forfeit unto the party grieved, treble the damage which he or they shall sustain, to be recovered by action of trespass, or upon the case, in any of His Majesty's Courts of Record in this Province.