

*At the General Assembly of the Province of Nova Scotia, begun and holden at Halifax, on the Sixth Day of June, 1770, in the Tenth Year of the Reign of Our Sovereign Lord George the Third, of Great Britain, France, and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith, &c. being the First Session of the Fifth General Assembly convened in the said Province.*

10 George III – Chapter 3

**An Act to enable the several Counties within this Province to raise Money for Payment of their Representatives.**

Whereas it is necessary that provision should be made for defraying the expense of the attendance of the representatives in general assembly; be it enacted by the Governor, council, and assembly, that there shall be paid out of the monies assessed, levied, and raised, in manner as is herein-after directed, to such of the representatives as shall think proper to apply for the same, at the rate of five shillings per day for each day during their attendance in general assembly, and for the time necessarily expended in the journeying to and from thence.

II. And be it also enacted, that the grand juries at the courts of general sessions of the peace held for the several counties in this province, next after each session of the general assembly, shall make presentment upon the application of the representatives serving for such county and the townships within the same, or any of them (except such townships as shall have power to hold a special sessions of the peace) of all such sum and sums of money as shall appear to be due to such representatives so applying, for so many days at the rate aforesaid, as shall be certified by the speaker of the house of assembly, to be due to them for their services in general assembly, and the said sums shall be raised, levied, and paid in manner and form, as is directed in and by an act made in the fifth year of his present majesty's reign, intituled "An Act for the raising money by presentment on the several counties in this province, for the defraying certain county charges therein mentioned."

III. And be it enacted, that for such towns as have or shall hereafter have power to hold a special sessions of the peace, the grand juries at such special sessions, shall present such sums as shall be applied for by the representatives serving for such respective townships, and the sums so presented shall be raised, levied, and applied in like manner as if the same had been presented by the grand jury of the county.

IV. And be it further enacted, that the sums so levied shall be paid by the treasurers of the counties, or of the townships respectively, to such of the said representatives as shall have applied for the same as aforesaid, on such treasurer's receiving the said monies from the several collectors.

V. And be it also further enacted, that the several collectors appointed as is directed in and by the aforesaid act, shall within one month after receiving the assessment, collect and pay to the treasurers aforesaid, the sum specified in such assessment, and if such collector

shall neglect so to do, he shall forfeit and pay the sum of forty shillings, to be recovered by any one of the parties injured thereby, on complaint before any two of his Majesty's justices of the peace, and be paid to the overseers of the poor, for the use of the poor of the township for which such collector shall be appointed.