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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. and there continued by several Prorogations until the Sixth day of June, Anno Domini 1777, in the Seventeenth Year of his said Majesty's Reign, being the Fifth General Assembly convened in the said Province.

17 George III – Chapter 7

An Act for regulating the Price of certain Provisions in the Township of Halifax.

Be it enacted, by the Lieutenant Governor, Council and Assembly, that the Justices of the Peace in their General Sessions, held for the county of Halifax, shall and may, and they are hereby impowered, as often as occasion may require from time to time, to regulate and settle the prices of all kinds of butchers meat in the township of Halifax, according to the best of their judgement, respect being had to the season of the year and the prices of provender.

- II. And be it further enacted, that the said Justices shall immediately after the said regulation so made, cause the same to be posted up in the most public places by the Provost-Marshal or his deputy.
- III. And be it also further enacted, that if any person shall upon complaint made before any two Justices be convicted of buying, selling, purchasing or receiving, or agreeing to buy, sell, purchase or receive any butchers meat at any greater prices than shall be so assessed, such person or persons shall forfeit double the value of the meat so sold or bought, or agreed to be sold or bought, to be levied by warrant of distress and sale of the offender's goods and chattels, one half to be paid to the prosecutor, and the other half to the overseers of the poor for the use of the poor of the said township.
- IV. And be it enacted, that this Act shall continue and be in force for one year, and until the end of the session of the General Assembly then next following.