

At the General Assembly of the Province of Nova Scotia, begun and holden at Halifax, on Monday, the Second Day of October, 1758, and in the 32nd year of His Majesty's Reign.

32 George II – Chapter 25

An Act to prevent unnecessary Firing off Guns, and other Fire-Arms, in the Town and Suburbs of Halifax.

Be it enacted by His Excellency the Governor, Council, and Assembly and by the authority of the same it is hereby enacted, that if any person or persons, of what age or degree soever, from and after the publication of this Act, shall unnecessarily fire out of any gun, fusee, musket, pistol or other fire arm, in any of the houses, streets, lanes, wharves, yards, or gardens in the town or suburbs of Halifax, every person so offending, upon conviction thereof, upon the oath of one or more credible witness, before any of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace, shall forfeit the sum of ten shillings, to be levied by warrant of distress from such Justice, on the offenders goods and chattels, and for want of goods or chattels, such offender shall be committed to goal for the space of twenty four hours.

Provided that no prosecution for breach of this Act shall be admitted, unless complaint be made thereof within twelve hours, at least, after the offence committed.

All forfeitures arising by virtue of this Act, shall be one half to him or her who will prosecute for the same, and the other to the use of this His Majesty's Government.