

*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 32<sup>nd</sup> year of His Majesty's Reign.*

32 George II – Chapter 9

**An Act for erecting a House of Correction or Workhouse, within the Town 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 a house of correction or workhouse of stone masonry, shall be erected within the town of Halifax, of the following dimensions, (that is to say) that the said building be sixty feet in length, and twenty five feet in breadth, on the inside, and twelve feet in height, and finished in such manner, as the commissioners hereinafter appointed, shall direct.

And for the erecting of such house of correction, or work house, it is hereby requered of his Excellency the Governor, and it is further enacted, that the sum of five hundred pounds be appropriated out of the money, now in the treasury, collected from the duties on spirituous liquors.

And for the better carrying this Act into execution, be it further enacted, that the Honourable Benjamin Green, John Collier, Charles Morris, and Robert Sanderson Enquires, and Joseph Gerrish, Malachy Salter, and Henry Newton Esquires, be and are hereby appointed commissioners for contracting for the materials and workmanship, and for the direction of the said building.