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At the General Assembly of the Province of Nova Scotia, begun and holden at Halifax, on Tuesday the 4^{th} day of December 1759, and in the 33^d year of His Majesty's Reign.

33 George II – Chapter 7 (Session 2)

An Act to prevent the importing disabled, infirm, and other useless Persons into this Province.

Be it enacted by his excellency the Governor, council, and assembly, and by the authority of the same it is hereby enacted, that from and after the first day of May next, every master of every vessel, who shall bring into this province, any disabled, infirm, or other useless person, shall, when required by the overseers of the poor, give sufficient security to the said overseers and their successors, for the payment of the sum of thirty pounds for every person so brought; conditioned that each such person shall not become chargeable to the province within one year next after their arrival; and that any master bringing such persons as aforesaid, who shall refuse to give such bond, shall forfeit and pay the sum of thirty pounds, to be recovered by action of debt in the name of the overseers of the poor, and for the use of the poor, in any of His Majesty's courts of record within this province.