

At the General Assembly of the Province of Nova Scotia, begun and holden at Halifax, on Tuesday the Twenty Eighth Day of May, 1765, in the Fifth Year of His Majesty's Reign, and there continued by several Prorogations, to Thursday the 23d day of October, 1766, in the Sixth Year of His Majesty's Reign.

6 George III – Chapter 2 (Session 2)

An Act in Addition to and Amendment of an Act made and passed in the Second Year of His present Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act for regulating the Exportation of Fish, and the Assize of Barrels, Staves, Hoops, Boards, and all other Kinds of Lumber; and for appointing Officers to survey the same."

Whereas the laws and regulations made and provided, respecting the packing of mackerel, and all other kinds of pickled fish, within this province, do not appear to fully answer the purposes for which they were intended; be it enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, council and assembly, that from and after the first day of January, which will be in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and sixty seven, all and every person or persons packing mackerel or any other kind of pickled fish within this province for sale, or exportation, shall branch each cask and barrel by him or them so packed, on the head of such ask or barrel, with the initial letter or letters of his or their Christian name, and his or their surname at length, before he or they shall ship or expose the same to sale, and every person or persons, who shall presume to ship for exportation or expose to sale any mackerel or other kind of pickled fish, before the same be branded as aforesaid, shall, on due conviction thereof, by the oath of one credible witness, before any of His Majesty's justices of the peace, forfeit and pay the sum of ten shillings for each and every cask or barrel so exported or exposed to sale, one moiety thereof to the informer, and the other moiety to the overseers of, and for the use of the poor of the township, town or place, wherein such offence shall be committed; the same to be levied by distress and sale of the offender's goods and chattels, together with the charges of such distress and sale, rendering the overplus (if any be) to the owner or owners thereof.

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