

At the General Assembly of the Province of Nova Scotia, begun and holden at Halifax, on the fifth day of December 1785, in the Twenty Sixth Year of his said Majesty's Reign, and there continued by several Prorogations unto the Twenty Fifth Day of February, 1790, in the Thirtieth Year of his Majesty's Reign, being the Fourth Session of the Sixth General Assembly convened in the said Province.

30 George III – Chapter 3

An Act to prevent the destroying or defacing Mile-Posts, Mile-Boards or Mile-Stones, erected or to be erected within this Province.

Whereas the erecting of mile-posts, and boards, or mile-stones, tends greatly to the convenience of the public, and is often a useful direction to the traveller. And whereas mischievous and ill-disposed persons have in many instances wantonly and wickedly defaced and destroyed such posts and boards.

I. Be it therefore enacted, by the Lieutenant Governor, Council, and Assembly, that from and after the publication hereof, whoever shall be found guilty of defacing, displacing, injuring or destroying any post, board or stone erected or to be erected for the purpose of ascertaining distances shall on conviction thereof before any two of his Majesty's justices of the peace, forfeit and pay the sum of two pounds, the one half whereof to be given to the prosecutor, and the other half paid in to the treasurer of the county wherein such offence shall be committed for the purpose of repairing and erecting mile-boards within such county, and in case the party so convicted shall be unable to pay the fine imposed, it shall and may be lawful for such justices to direct and order the offender a corporal punishment, not less than twenty lashes, nor exceeding thirty lashes, to be inflicted at the most public place within the said district in the usual and accustomed manner.