

*At the General Assembly of the Province of Nova Scotia, begun and holden at Halifax, on the Sixth Day of June, 1770, in the Tenth Year of the Reign of Our Sovereign Lord George the Third, of Great Britain, France, and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith, &c. and there continued by several Prorogations until the Ninth Day of October, Anno Domini 1780, and in the Twentieth Year of His said Majesty's Reign, being the Thirteenth Session of the Fifth General Assembly convened in the said Province. From Richard John Uniacke, The Statutes at Large passed in the General Assembly held in His Majesty's Province of Nova Scotia: A complete index and abridgement of the whole. John Howe and Son, 1805.*

20 George III – Chapter 2

**An Act for the more speedy and effectual collecting such Town Rates and Taxes as may be assessed on the Inhabitants of the Township of Halifax.**

Whereas the method hitherto practiced in collecting taxes and rates for the support of the poor, and other town rates and taxes at Halifax, has been found insufficient for that purpose:

- I. Be it enacted by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Assembly, that from and after the publication of this Act, it shall and may be lawful for the Justices in their General or Special Session of the Peace, annually, to appoint a fit person to collect all town taxes or rates, which shall be assessed on the inhabitants of the township of Halifax, which person shall give sufficient security for the faithful discharge of his office.
- II. And be it also enacted, that the collector appointed as aforesaid, shall once in every month account with and pay into the hands of such person or persons appointed to receive the same for the time being, all such sums of money he may have received, and in case of his neglect or refusal to account and pay the same as aforesaid, such collector shall and may be prosecuted, by bill, plaint or information, in any of his Majesty's courts of record.
- III. And be it enacted, that the collector as aforesaid shall be allowed ten pounds per cent. for collecting and paying in the rates and taxes as aforesaid.