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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 Eleventh Day of June, Anno Domini 1782, in the Twenty-Second Year of His said Majesty's Reign; being the Fifteenth 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.

22 George III – Chapter 3

An Act, in amendment of and addition to an Act made in the First year of His present Majesty's reign, entitled, "An Act for the Registering Marriages, Births and Deaths."

Whereas there are no proprietors clerks in several of the townships of this Province, and that it is thought most proper that the record of marriages, births and deaths, should be kept by the town clerk:

I. Be it enacted by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Assembly, that the duty to be done by the proprietors' clerk of each township, as directed by an act made in the first year of his present Majesty's reign, entitled, "An Act for the registering Marriages, Births and Deaths," shall for the future be done and performed by the town clerk of each township respectively; and the parties failing to comply with the directions of the said act, shall be liable to the forfeiture and penalty therein set forth, and such party shall pay for recording each marriage, birth, or death, one shilling, instead of the fee directed to be paid by the said act.

And in order to prevent as much as possible the inconveniences and detriment which may arise from the neglect hitherto of recording marriages, births and deaths and more fully to answer the purpose intended by the said act:

II. Be it enacted, that the said town clerk of each township respectively, shall apply to the several ministers of such township for a list of all such marriages, births or deaths, recorded by them, before the making this act, and from time to time hereafter, and to enter the same in a book kept for that purpose.