

*At the General Assembly of the Province of Nova Scotia, begun and holden at Halifax, on Thursday the Twenty-first day of June, 1804: in the Forty-fourth Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Third, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great-Britain, and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith, &c. being the Fifth Session of the Eighth 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.*

44 George III – Chapter 4

**An Act in addition to, and amendment of, an Act, passed in the Thirty-fifth year of His present Majesty's reign, entitled, "An Act to amend, and reduce into one Act, the several Laws, now in being, relating to a Militia in this Province."**

Whereas, by the before recited act, it is enacted, that no artillery company shall consist of more than thirty-two rank and file, which number is thought to be insufficient, for what may be required in defence of the country:

- I. Be it therefore enacted, by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Assembly, that, from and after the publication hereof, it shall and may be lawful for such artillery companies to consist of such number of men as may be thought necessary by the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander in Chief for the time being; any thing in the said act notwithstanding.
- II. And be it further enacted, that all persons who are now enrolled, or shall hereafter enrol themselves, to serve, either in the grenadier company, or light infantry company, of any regiment or battalion of militia in this province, shall continue in such company for three years from the date of his enrollment, unless in case of removal from the county, or being discharged by the commanding officer of such company.
- III. And be it further enacted, that in places and situations where there may not be a sufficient number of public inns, taverns, ale-houses and licensed shops, whereon to billet the whole of any detachment of soldiers or militia, that may be on a march, it shall and may be lawful to billet a part of such detachment on other house-keepers, in the discretion of the magistrates, giving billets for the same.
- IV. And be it further enacted, that this act, and the said act, passed in the thirty-fifth year of His present Majesty's reign, entitled, "An Act to amend, and reduce into one Act, the several laws, now in being, relating to a militia in this Province," (except such parts thereof as are altered by this act;) and the act, passed in the forty-first year of His Majesty's reign, entitled, "An Act in further addition to, and for altering and amending, an Act passed in the thirty-fifth year of His present Majesty's reign, entitled, 'An Act to amend and reduce into one Act, the several laws, now in being, relating to a militia in this Province,'" shall be, and the same are

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hereby, continued in force, until the thirty-first day of December, which will be in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and five.