

At the General Assembly of the Province of Nova Scotia, begun and holden at Halifax, on the Eighteenth day of November, 1806, and continued by several prorogations to Thursday the Ninth day of November, 1809, in the Fiftieth 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. &c. being the Sixth Session of the Ninth General Assembly, convened in the said Province. From Henry H. Cogswell, The Statutes at Large passed in the General Assembly held in His Majesty's Province of Nova Scotia: from the Sixth Session of the Eighth General Assembly, to the Fifty-Sixth year of his Majesty's Reign. John Howe and Son, 1816.

50 George III – Chapter 6 (Session 2)

An Act to amend and alter an Act, passed in the forty-eighth year of His Majesty's Reign, entitled, "An Act to provide for the greater security of this Province, by a better regulation of the Militia, and to repeal the Militia Laws now in force."

Be it enacted, by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Assembly, that if any person enrolled in the militia of this province shall appear, on the respective days of muster and training, with arms and accoutrements, any of which, in the opinion of the captain or officer commanding the company to which he belongs, are dirty, and not in good and serviceable order, such person shall forfeit and pay a sum not less than two shillings and six pence, nor more than ten shillings.

II. And be it further enacted, that if any person enrolled as aforesaid, who has received, or shall hereafter receive, militia arms and accoutrements, shall use the said militia arms and accoutrements, for fowling, or the like private purposes, he shall forfeit and pay for each offence the sum of five shillings.

III. And be it further enacted, that instead of four company meetings, as directed by the twenty-ninth section of the said act, there shall, in future, be six company meetings, to be called out and assembled yearly in the manner, and under all the provisions, regulations and penalties, prescribed by the said act.

IV. And be it further enacted, that the persons commonly called Quakers, and certified as such by two respectable householders belonging to their society, shall be exempted from all training, the duties of watching and warding, and from furnishing and providing themselves with arms and ammunition, or accoutrements, for which exemptions every such Quaker shall pay annually the sum of twenty shillings, to be applied to the purposes mentioned in the thirty-first section of the act hereby amended.

V. And be it further enacted, that it shall and may be lawful for the colonel or officer commanding any regiment or battalion of militia, to order as many inspections of the arms, accoutrements and ammunition, of the several companies under his command, in every year, as he may judge necessary; which inspections are to be made in the manner, and

under the like regulations and penalties, as is expressed in the twenty-second section of the said act herein before mentioned.

VI. And be it further enacted, that when any militia man shall remove from one company district to another, and shall be enrolled in the company of the district to which he has removed, he shall fall in immediately before the person who has drawn the same number as the said militia man held in his former company, and shall stand there ready to be called on for actual service as if he had originally drawn such number in the company to which he has so removed.

VII. And be it further enacted, that so much of the said act hereby amended as respects squad meetings of the militia, shall be, and the same is hereby repealed.

VIII. And be it further enacted, that in all cases where any prosecution shall be had before any one or more justices of the peace for any offences within the militia laws of this province, the justice or justices shall enquire into the whole complaint, and give judgment, with such costs of suit as are allowed by law in civil cases between party and party; and if the defendant shall be acquitted, or the prosecutor shall be nonsuit, the costs awarded against him shall be paid out of the fines of the company to which the defendant belongs.

IX. And be it further enacted, that this act shall continue and be in force for one year from the publication thereof, and thence to the end of the next session of the general assembly.