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At the General Assembly of the Province of Nova Scotia, begun and holden at Halifax, on Thursday the Eleventh day of February, 1819, in the Fifty-Ninth 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 First Session of the Eleventh General Assembly, convened in the said Province.

59 George III – Chapter 28

An Act to alter and amend an Act, made and passed in the third and fourth years of His present Majesty's Reign, entitled, "An Act to enable the Inhabitants of the several Townships within the Province to maintain their Poor."

Whereas, much inconvenience has arisen to the poor, by persons appealing from the rates assessed against them under and by virtue of the said act, and withholding the payment thereof until the same shall be examined and determined by the next general sessions of the peace for the counties aforesaid; for remedy whereof:

- I. Be it enacted by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Assembly, that if any person, assessed under and by virtue of the said act, refuse or neglect to pay his said rate or assessment, it shall and may be lawful for the collector, appointed to receive the said rates or assessments, notwithstanding such appeal as aforesaid, to levy for the same by warrant of distress, by any one of His Majesty's justices of the peace for the county where such person shall reside.
- II. And be it further enacted, that if the person or persons, so appealing to the next general sessions of the peace for the said county, shall make it appear to the justices thereof, that he or they have been assessed or taxed more than his or their just share or proportion of the said rate, that then, and in such case, it shall and may be lawful for the said justices to cause such appellant or appellants to be relieved and re-imbursed the excess of such rate by order to the overseers of the poor for the township to which such appellant or appellants shall belong, and who are hereby directed to refund the same.