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48 George III – Chapter 3

An Act to continue for a limited time, an Act passed in the forty third year of his Majesty's reign, intituled: "An Act for the better regulation of the Militia of this Province, and for repealing certain Acts or Ordinances therein mentioned." (14th April, 1808.)

Whereas an Act was passed by the Legislature of this Province, in the forty third year of the reign of his present Majesty, intituled: "An Act for the better regulation of the Militia of this Province, and for repealing certain Acts or Ordinances therein mentioned," and whereas the term fixed for the duration of the said Act, to the first day of the month of July, of the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and seven, is expired; except, in as much as it was provided by the said Act, that if at the expiration of the term so fixed, the Province was in a state of War, Invasion, or Insurrection, the said Act should continue in force, until the end of such War, invasion or insurrection. And Whereas, great inconveniences may result to this Province, in the possible case, that the unexpected news of a Peace, might arrive at the very moment we shall be under the necessity of preparing to repel an expected attack, from another quarter, if a further term, for the duration of the said Act, is not fixed. Be it therefore enacted, by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council, and Assembly of the Province of Lower Canada constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act of the Parliament of Great Britain, intituled: "An Act to repeal certain parts of an Act passed in the fourteenth year of his Majesty's reign," intituled: "An Act for making more effectual provision for the Government of the Province of Quebec in North America: and to make further provision for the Government of the said Province," and it is hereby enacted, by the authority of the same, that the said Act, intituled: "An Act for the better regulation of the Militia of this Province, and for repealing certain Acts or Ordinances therein mentioned," and all matters and things therein contained, shall continue to be in force, until the first day of July in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and ten, and from thence to the end of the then next Session of the Provincial Parliament. Provided always, that if at the end of the term herein before fixed for the duration of the said Act, the Province was in a state of war, insurrection, or invasion, the said Act shall continue to be in force until the end of the said war, insurrection, or invasion.

II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that this Act, and the Act hereby continued, may be altered, amended, or repealed, at any time, during the present Session of the Provincial Parliament.