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58 George III – Chapter 14

An Act to amend an Act passed in the fifty-seventh year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act to provide temporary Houses of Correction in the several Districts of this Province, and for other purposes." (1st April, 1818.)

Whereas an Act was passed in the fifty-seventh year of His Majesty's reign, intituled, "An Act to provide temporary Houses of Correction in the several Districts of this Province," whereby it is provided, that it shall and may be lawful for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or person administering the government of this Province for the time being, to advance certain sums of money therein-mentioned to the Committees to be appointed under the said Act: And whereas it is expedient and necessary that the payment of the said sums of money should be made annually to the Committees appointed in virtue of the said Act, for the purposes contained in the said Act, 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 passed in 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 it shall and may be lawful to and for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or person administering the government of this Province for the time being, out of any unappropriated monies which now are, or shall be hereafter in the hands of the Receiver-General of this Province, to advance annually, during the continuance of this Act, to the Committees which may have been, or shall be appointed under and by virtue of the aforesaid Act of the fifty-seventh year of His Majesty's Reign, to superintend the Houses of Correction in the several Districts respectively, that is to say, a sum not exceeding two hundred pounds, current money of this Province, for the District of Quebec; a sum not exceeding two hundred pounds, current money of this Province, for the District of Montreal, and a sum not exceeding one hundred pounds like currency for the District of Three-Rivers [Trois-Rivières], for the purpose of enabling the said Committees, or either of them in their respective Districts, to hire, or otherwise provide a building fit and proper to serve for a temporary House of Correction: and also such accommodation for the performance of labour as may be requisite and also to provide a stock of materials for the employment of the persons who now are, or shall hereafter be confined in the said Houses of Correction, in the aforesaid Districts respectively, as well as for the purpose of allowing reasonable salaries to the Superintendent and Keepers thereof, in each of cite said Districts respectively.

II. And Whereas it has been ascertained, that in consequence of the increased population of the District of Montreal, and the great number of prisoners which it has frequently been sound necessary to commit to the House of Correction for the said District, the aforesaid sum of two hundred pounds per annum, is insufficient for the support and maintenance of the said House of Correction; be it therefore enacted by the authority aforesaid, that from and after the passing of this Act, it shall and

may be lawful to and for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or the person administering the government of this Province for the time being, to advance out of any of the before-mentioned funds, such further sum for the purposes aforesaid, as on a representation from the Committees for superintending the said House of Correction may be sound necessary, and shall be approved of by the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or person administering the government of this Province for the time being.—Provided always, that the sum hereby authorized to be so advanced for the purposes aforesaid, over and above the aforesaid annual sum of two hundred pounds, shall not in any one year exceed the sum of one hundred pounds, current money of this Province.

III. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the due application of the said monies, agreeably to the directions of this Act, shall be accounted for to His Majesty, his heirs and successors, through the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury for the time being, in such manner and form as His Majesty, his heirs and successors, shall direct.

IV. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that this Act shall constitute and be in force until the fifth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen, and no longer.