

*Acts of the General Assembly of His Majesty's Province of New-Brunswick passed in the year 1827.* Fredericton, NB: George K. Lugin, Printer to the King's Most Excellent Majesty, 1827.

8 George IV – Chapter 2

**An Act to prevent unnecessary delay and expence in proceedings against persons having privilege of the General Assembly. Passed the 19th March, 1827.**

Whereas the mode of proceeding against persons having privilege of the General Assembly, by Distringas, is extremely dilatory and expensive.

I. Be it enacted by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Assembly, That from and after the passing of this Act, when any Summons shall be sued out against any Member of His Majesty's Council, a Member of the House of Assembly, or other persons having privilege of the General Assembly, if the defendant or defendants shall not appear at the return of the Summons, or within twenty days after such return, in every such case, it shall and may be lawful to, and for the Plaintiff or Plaintiffs, upon affidavit being made and filed in the proper Court, of the personal service of such Summons, to enter an appearance or appearances for the Defendant or Defendants, and to proceed thereon as if such Defendant or Defendants had entered his or their appearance.

II. Provided nevertheless, and be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall extend or be construed to subject any person whatsoever, entitled to privilege of the General Assembly, to be arrested, restrained or imprisoned, during the term of such privilege; but that every such person shall continue to be exempt therefrom, in like manner as if this Act had not been made.