

Acts of the General Assembly of His Majesty's Province of New-Brunswick passed in the year 1837. Fredericton, NB: John Simpson, Printer to the King's Most Excellent Majesty, 1837.

7 William IV – Chapter 22 (Session 1)

An Act to authorize the Justices of the Peace in General Sessions in certain Counties in this Province to exempt the Acadian French from the assessment of Poor Rates. Passed 1st March 1837.

'Whereas the Acadian French in this Province are in the habit of supporting their own poor;'

I. Be it enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly, That it shall and may be lawful for the Justices of the Peace in the several Counties of Westmorland, Kent, Northumberland and Gloucester, at their General Sessions of the Peace, who may allow and order any assessment of the accounts of any overseers of the poor, pursuant to the direction of the Act of the General Assembly of this Province for regulating and providing for the support of the poor in this Province, at the same time, if they in their discretion shall think proper, to exempt the Acadian French inhabitants who may be resident in the Parish in which such assessment is to be made, from the whole or any part of such assessment.

II. And be it enacted, That when any such exemption shall be so made, the same shall be expressed in the warrant of assessment which may thereupon issue, and the assessors to whom the same may be directed shall conform thereto in making their assessment.

III. And be it enacted, That this Act shall Continue and be in force until the first day of April which will be in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty one.