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33 George III – Chapter 12

**An Act to provide for the Appointment of Returning Officers for the several Counties within this Province.**

Whereas the powers at present subsisting for the appointment of persons to execute the office of returning officer in each of the districts, counties or circles and towns or townships in this province, are limited to a certain period which will soon expire, and whereas it is necessary to make further provision for the appointment of such officers; 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 Upper-Canada, constituted and assembled, by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the parliament of Great-Britain, entitled an act to repeal certain parts of an Act passed in the fourteenth year of his majesty's reign, entitled, "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 by the authority of the same, That it shall and may be lawful for the governor, lieutenant governor or person administering the government for the time being, from time to time to nominate and appoint by an instrument under his hand and seal at arms, a proper person to execute the office of returning officer, for every county or riding, division or town within the province.

II. Provided always, and it is hereby enacted, That no person shall be obliged to execute the office of returning officer for any longer time than one year, unless he shall be disposed to continue to execute the same, by and with the consent and approbation of the said governor, lieutenant governor or person administering the government for the time being.

III. Provided also, and be it hereby enacted by the authority aforesaid, That this act shall continue in force for and during the space of seven years, and no longer.