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**An Act to amend an act, entitled, “An act to authorize and direct the laying and collecting of assessments and rates in every district within this province, and to provide for the payment of wages to the members of the house of assembly.”**

Whereas by an act passed in the thirty-third year of his majesty's reign, entitled, “An act to authorize and direct the laying and collecting of assessments and rates in every district within this province, all to provide for the payment of wages to the members of the house of assembly.” The magistrates in and for the several districts, were authorized and empowered in their general quarter session, in the month of April assembled, or the greater part of them, or cause an estimate to be laid before them of the sum or sums of money, that might be necessary to defray the charges and expences accruing in their respective districts for the uses and purposes in the said act mentioned: and whereas it seems necessary to enlarge their powers for the present year; Be it therefore enacted by the king's most excellent majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the legislative counsel and assembly of the province of Upper-Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of, and uncertain parts of an act passed of 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, to and for the magistrates of each and every district, if it shall and may be lawful, to and for the magistrates of each and every district, if it shall and may to them seem necessary, in the general quarter sessions, now to be laid before them, of the sum or sums of money that may be necessary to defray the charges and expences accruing in their respective districts for the uses and purposes in the said cause the amount of the sum so raised to be divided in an exact proportion to the rate with which each class is severally charged is herein before is provided in a certain act for that purpose, entitled an act to amend certain parts of an act, passed in the thirty-third year of his majesty's reign, entitled “An act to authorize and direct the laying and collecting of assessments and rates in every district within this province, and to provide for the payment of wages to the members of the house of assembly,” and to declare that the assessment required will be half a rate, a third, fourth, fifth, eighth or any aliquot part of a rate, if it should not be the proportion which the sum under the authority of the first abovementioned act, or which shall have been or which legally may be raised by an under the authority of the act passed in the thirty-fourth year of his majesty's reign, entitled an act to amend certain parts of an act, passed in the thirty-third year of his majesty's reign, entitled “An act to authorize and direct the laying and collecting of the assessments and rates in every district within this province, and to provide for the payment of wages to the members of the house of assembly,” and to apply the same as in and by the above

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mentioned act or acts, or either of them, shall or may be directed: any thing in either of the said above mentioned act or acts to the contrary hereof, in anywne notwithstanding.