

*Laws of His Majesty's Province of Upper Canada*, passed in the year 1837. Toronto: Robert Stanton, 1837.

7 William IV – Chapter 20

**An Act to amend the Laws for the appointment of Parish and Township Officers. Passed 4th March, 1837.**

Whereas, from the great increase of Population in the principal Towns in this Province, it has become inconvenient to hold the annual Township Meetings in such Towns: 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 so much of an Act passed in the first Session of the twelfth Parliament, entitled, "An Act to reduce to one Act of Parliament the several laws relative to the appointment and duties of Township Officers in this Province, except an Act passed in the fourth year of the reign of William the Fourth, chapter twelve, entitled, 'An Act to regulate Line-fences and Water-courses,' and to repeal so much of an Act passed in the thirty-third year of the reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, entitled, 'An Act to provide for the nomination and appointment of Parish and Town Officers within this Province,' as relates to the office of Fence-Viewers being discharged by Overseers of Highways and Roads," as relates to the places for holding the annual Township Meetings in each Township, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That from and after the passing of this Act, when any Town in any Township in this Province shall be Incorporated, or have Police Regulations established therein, no annual Township Meeting, for the purpose amongst other things, of electing Township Officers, shall thereafter be held in any such Town, but the said annual Township Meetings shall be holden in such convenient place out of any such Town, as the Magistrates, Commissioners, or other authorised persons, shall appoint.