

*Laws of Her Majesty's Province of Upper Canada*, passed in the year 1838. York: Robert Stanton, 1838.

1 Victoria – Chapter 39

**An Act to authorise the levying an additional tax on the inhabitants of the County of Simcoe, for the purposes therein-mentioned. Passed 6th March, 1838.**

Whereas it is desirable to provide funds for the speedy erection of a Gaol and Court-house at Barrie, in the County of Simcoe, in order that the said County may be declared a separate District, agreeably to an Act passed during the last Session of the Provincial Legislature: Be it therefore enacted, by the Queen'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 for the purpose above-mentioned, it shall and may be lawful, from and after the passing of this Act, for the Justices of the Peace for the Home District in Quarter Sessions assembled, and they are hereby required to levy by assessment, to be made on each and every inhabitant house-holder in the County of Simcoe aforesaid, in the same manner and form as by-law any assessment may now or hereafter be levied for any public purpose in the said County, an additional rate, not exceeding one penny in the pound, until the sum hereinafter authorised to be borrowed for defraying the expenses of erecting the said Gaol and Court-house, and all interest thereon, shall be fully discharged.

II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the Justices of the Peace for the County of Simcoe shall have power to raise by loan, at a rate of interest not exceeding six per cent per annum, from such person or persons, bodies politic or corporate, as may be willing to advance the same on the credit of the securities afforded by this and the before recited Act, a sum not exceeding the sum of four thousand pounds, Provincial Currency, to be applied in the erection of the said Gaol and Court house, and not otherwise.

III. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the monies raised by the authority of this Act shall be paid over by the Treasurer of the Home District to the Treasurer appointed by the Magistrates of the County of Simcoe, to be expended by the Justices of the Peace for the said County of Simcoe in the manner prescribed in the Act passed during the last Session, entitled, "An Act to authorise the erection of the County of Simcoe into a separate District, by the name of the District of Simcoe"; Provided always, that the sum raised under this and the above recited Act shall not exceed in the whole the sum of four thousand pounds.