

*Laws of Her Majesty's Province of Upper Canada*, passed in the year 1840. York: Robert Stanton, 1840.

3 Victoria – Chapter 42

**An Act to extend the period for which the Magistrates of the District of Victoria are authorised to levy an additional rate in the said District, by an Act passed in the seventh year of the reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, entitled, “An Act to authorise the erection of the County of Hastings into a separate District.” Passed 10th February, 1840.**

Whereas it is deemed expedient to extend the period for which the Magistrates of the District of Victoria are authorised to levy an additional rate in the said District, by an Act passed in the seventh year of the reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, entitled, “*An Act to authorise the erection of the County of Hastings into a separate District*”: And whereas the Magistrates of the said District of Victoria, have by their Petition prayed that a tax on the property of the said Inhabitants, for the purpose of liquidating the debt and interest contracted for building the Gaol and Court House therein be continued: 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the authority of the same, That the twenty-first and twenty-second clauses of the said Act, be and the same are hereby repealed.

II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the Magistrates of and residing within the said District, shall have power and authority, and they are hereby authorised and empowered at their Quarter Sessions assembled, to resolve that an increased tax of one penny in the pound over and above the ordinary assessment on all ratable property within the said District, shall be levied and collected, until it shall appear to the said Magistrates that said debt and interest contracted as aforesaid shall have been paid, for the purpose of paying said debt and interest, which resolution shall be transmitted to the Clerk of the Peace of said District, signed by the Chairman of the said Quarter Sessions.

III. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That it shall be the duty of the Clerk of the Peace for the District of Victoria, to add to the Assessment List for the several Townships within the said District, the said increased tax of one penny, according to the resolution furnished him as aforesaid, until by a resolution which shall be passed in open Quarter Sessions, and signed by the Chairman as aforesaid, it shall appear that it is no longer necessary for the purposes aforesaid.

IV. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That it shall be the duty of the Collectors of the several Townships within the said District, and they are hereby required to collect the moneys authorised by the authority of this Act, to pay the same over to the Treasurer of the said

District of Victoria, in the same way and manner as the ordinary Assessments of the District have been heretofore collected and paid.

V. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the Magistrates of and residing within the said District, shall expend the money raised by the authority of this Act, towards paying the debt and interest now contracted for building a Gaol and Court House for the use of the said District, and for no other purpose whatsoever.

VI. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That no percentage shall be allowed to the Treasurer of the said District, nor to any Assessor or Collector, for the moneys raised and collected by the provisions of this Act.