

*Laws of Her Majesty's Province of United Canada*, passed in the year 1856. Quebec: Stewart Derbyshire and George Desbarts, 1856.

20 Victoria – Chapter 46

**An Act to amend the Act for the qualification of Justices of the Peace. Assented to 19th June, 1856.**

Whereas Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in this Province, who are now required to possess a property qualification, suffer inconvenience in consequence of being obliged to renew the oath of qualification on the occasion of the issuing of a new Commission of the Peace for the Territorial Divisions of this Province for which such Justices may have qualified themselves to act: For remedy thereof, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:

- I. For and notwithstanding any thing contained in the Act sixth Victoria, chapter three, and intituled, *An Act for the qualification of Justices of the Peace*, it shall not be necessary in the case of any Commission of the Peace to be issued after the passing of this Act, for any such Justice named therein who may have theretofore qualified himself as provided by the third section of the said Act, to take any oath of qualification before acting under such new Commission, unless such Justice shall, since he took such oath of qualification, have parted with the estate in right of which he may have qualified and deposited a certificate thereof in the office of the Clerk of the Peace.
- II. Except in cases where a suit may have been commenced or judgment shall have been recovered, the provisions of this Act shall be taken to apply to the case of any Justice of the Peace named in any Commission heretofore issued, who may have once qualified himself under the said recited Act, and shall have continued to possess the same estate upon which he may have so qualified.