

Sums of Money upon any Loss, Peril, or Contingency relative to any such Insurance; every such Person shall, for every such Offence, forfeit the Sum of Two hundred Pounds.

V. And be it further enacted, That it shall not be lawful for any Officer or Officers of His Majesty's Customs, in *Great Britain or Ireland*, to permit or suffer any Ship or Vessel, which is by this Act required not to fail or depart without Convoy, to be cleared Outwards from any Port or Place in the United Kingdom to Foreign Parts, until the Master or other Person, having the Charge or Command of such Ship or Vessel, shall have given Bond to His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, with One sufficient Surety in the Penalty of the Value of such Ship or Vessel; which Bond shall be taken by the Collector or other principal Officer of the Customs at such Port or Place, who is hereby authorized and required to take such Security, with Condition that such Ship or Vessel shall not fail or depart without Convoy contrary to the Directions contained in this Act, and shall not afterwards desert or wilfully separate or depart from such Convoy without Leave obtained from the Captain or other Officer in His Majesty's Navy entrusted with the Charge of such Convoy, before such Ship or Vessel shall have arrived at her Port or Place of Destination, or so far on her Voyage as such Convoy shall be appointed to accompany and protect such Ship or Vessel.

Officers of the Customs not to permit Vessels to be cleared Outwards until the Master has given Bond not to fail without Convoy, and not to separate from it.

VI. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act contained, by which Ships or Vessels are required not to fail or depart without Convoy, shall extend or be construed to extend to any Ship or Vessel which is not required to be registered by any Act or Acts of Parliament in force on or immediately before the passing of this Act, or to any Ship or Vessel for which a Licence shall be granted to fail or depart without Convoy, either by the Lord High Admiral of *Great Britain*, or by the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral for the Time being, or any Three or more of them, or by such Person or Persons as shall be duly authorized by him or them, or any Three or more of them for that Purpose; or to any Ship or Vessel proceeding with due Diligence to join Convoy from the Port or Place at which the same shall be cleared Outwards, in case such Convoy shall be appointed to fail from some other Port or Place, except nevertheless as to the Bond hereby required to be taken upon the Clearance Outwards of such Ship or Vessel; or to any Ship or Vessel bound to or from any Port or Place within the United Kingdom to any other Port or Place within the same; or to any Ship or Vessel belonging to or hired by or in the Service or Employ of the United Company of Merchants of *England* trading to the *East Indies*, or the *Hudson's Bay* Company.

Act not to extend to Vessels not required to be registered, or to Vessels licensed by the Admiralty, etc. nor to such as are proceeding to join Convoy, except as to Clearance Bond, nor to Vessels sailing from One Place to another in the Kingdom, nor to Vessels of the *East India* or *Hudson's Bay* Company.

VII. Provided also, and be it further enacted, That no Fee, Gratuity, or Reward, shall be demanded or received for any Licence granted in pursuance or under the Authority of this Act.

No Fee to be taken for Licences.

VIII. Provided also, and be it enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall extend, or be construed to extend, to any Ship or Vessel sailing or departing without Convoy from any Foreign Port or Place, nor to subject the Master thereof, or any other Person, to any of the Rules, Regulations, Provisions, Penalties, or Forfeitures hereby prescribed, directed,

Act not to extend to Vessels sailing from Foreign Ports, if there shall not be any Convoy appointed, or Persons there.