

At the GENERAL ASSEMBLY of the Province of *Nova-Scotia*, begun and holden at HALIFAX, on the fixth Day of *June* 1770, in the Tenth Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord GEORGE the Third of *Great Britain, France, and Ireland*, King, Defender of the Faith, &c. And there continued by several Prorogations until the Sixth Day of *October*, 1783, in the Twenty Third Year of His said Majesty's Reign, being the Thirteenth Session of the Fifth *General Assembly* convened in the said Province.

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AN ACT for Licenſing Butchers, and preventing them in future from being guilty of Extortion, and other Miſbehavior.

**W**HEREAS many and great Injuries have ariſen to the Inhabitants of this Province, by the Butchers of the Town of Halifax, combining together, and keeping up Meat at exorbitant high Prices, for Remedy whereof.

Preamble.

I. BE it Enacted by the Governor, Council and Assembly, That the Juſtices of the Peace for the County of *Halifax*, in their *General or Special Sessions of the Peace*, held at *Halifax*, ſhall and may grant Licenſes to all Perſons, who ſhall in future follow the Trade or Occupation of Butchers within the Town or County of *Halifax*, and alſo to all Perſons who ſhall attend as Aſſiſtants in, and about the Slaughter Houſes of ſaid Town or County, for which Licenſe ſuch Butcher ſo applying for the ſame, ſhall pay the Sum of Forty Shillings Annually, to be applied to the repairing of the Market Houſe, and the Aſſiſtants ſhall receive their Licenſes Gratis.

Butchers to take out Licenſe.

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Monies ariſing from Licenſes to be applied to the Repairs of the Market Houſe.

II. And be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforeſaid, That if any Perſon or Perſons whatſoever, ſhall on any Pretence exerciſe or follow the Trade or Occupation of a Butcher or Aſſiſtant within the ſaid Town