
Bill to encourage the establishment of Houses of public entertainment in new and unsettled parts of the Province, by diminishing the Duties on Licences in certain cases therein mentioned.

Preamble.

The Governor may in certain cases remit a portion of the duty imposed on licenses.

WHEREAS, it is expedient for the convenience and relief of persons travelling through new and unsettled parts of the Province to encourage and promote the establishment of houses of public entertainment in such new and unsettled parts, and for that purpose to remit in certain cases the duties by Law imposed upon Licenses for keeping houses of public entertainment : Be it therefore enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of the Province of *Lower-Canada*, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of *Great Britain*, intituled " An Act " to repeal certain parts of an Act passed in the " fourteenth year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, "*An Act for making more effectual provision for the Government of the Province of Quebec, in North America ;*" and for making " further provision for the Government of the " said Province ;" And it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, that it shall be lawful for the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, or person administering the Government of the Province, for the time being, to remit the duty of two pounds currency imposed upon every license to any person or persons for keeping a house of public entertainment, by an Act of the thirty-fifth year of the Reign of His Majesty *George the Third*, intituled, " An Act for granting to His Majesty duties on Licenses to " Hawkers, Pedlars, and petty Chapmen, and for " regulating their trade, and for granting additional duties on licenses to persons for keeping houses of public entertainment, or for " retailing wine, brandy, rum, or otherspirituous " liquors in this Province, and for regulating the " same, and for repealing the Act or Ordinance " therein mentioned," and grant any number of such Licenses, not exceeding in all twenty, free of the aforesaid duty, to persons residing in re-