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To facilitate the re-union of Lands, Lots or Building Lots granted in Roture, and of which the re-union to the Domain of the Fiefs and Seigniories of which they hold, may be demanded according to Law.

WHEREAS, according to the old forms of proceeding, followed in the Courts of Justice of this country before the conquest, it was lawful for every Seignior being Proprietor of a Fief and Seignior, to demand in and by the same declaration, and to obtain upon the certificate authorised in such case, and given by the Rector and the Captain of the place, the re-union to the Domain of such Fief and Seignior, of such Lands, Lots or Building Lots conceded *en Roture*, whereof the re-union to the Domain might be demanded according to Law, and of which such Seignior thought proper to demand the re-union to the Domain in and by the same declaration, although such Lands, Lots and Building Lots, should have been granted to several persons, or should have been held by several Landholders. And whereas doubts exist whether under the Laws at present in force in this Province this be still permitted; and in order to facilitate the re-union of such Lands, Lots or Building Lots to the Domain, and to render such re-union less expensive to the Seigniors and Tenants or Landholders;—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 to “ make further provision for the government of the said Province,” and it is hereby enacted by the authority aforesaid, that from and after the passing of this Act, it shall be lawful for every Seignior, being Proprietor of any Fief and Seignior in this Province, to demand and he is hereby empowered to demand, in and by the same declaration, the re-union to the Domain of such Fief and Seignior of such Lands, Lots or Building Lots, conceded *en Roture*, of which the re-union to the Domain may be demanded according to Law, and of which he shall think fit to demand the re-union to the Domain of such Fief and Seignior al-