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An Act to grant certain powers to Township Councils in Upper Canada, with respect to Wharves within the limits of their Municipalities.

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An Act to grant certain powers to Township Councils in Upper Canada, with respect to Wharves within the limits of their Municipalities.

WHEREAS Wharves have in several instances been erected by, or Preamble.
 have become the property of Township Municipalities in Upper Canada, and doubts have arisen as to the right of Township Councils to impose and levy dues on vessels using the said wharves, and it is expedient to remove such doubts: Therefore, Her Majesty, &c., enacts as follows:

1. The Municipal Council of any Township in Upper Canada, the Corporation whereof has constructed or become the owners or holders of any wharf or wharves, within the limits of their Municipality, as they Township Councils may pass By-laws respecting Wharves.
 10 may by law do, or shall hereafter construct, or become the owners or holders of any such wharf, may pass by-laws:

For imposing and collecting such reasonable tolls and dues as they Object of By-laws.
 may deem expedient on vessels making use of such wharf, and on the cargoes, or merchandize, or articles which they may discharge or receive thereat, or the owners or consignees thereof, in respect of the same,—for the management, regulation, and maintenance of such wharf,—for the detention of such cargoes, merchandize, or articles until the tolls and dues thereon are paid,—and for imposing penalties on persons refusing or neglecting to pay the said tolls or in any way contravening any regulation in relation thereto, or to such wharf: Provido as to rate of Tolls.
 20 ever, that the rate of the tolls and dues hereby authorised shall be so calculated and adjusted, that the amount to be derived therefrom shall not be greater than may be expected to suffice to meet the expenses incurred in their collection, and in the management of the wharf and
 25 its appurtenances, and to keep the same in good repair, and pay a reasonable interest or profit on the value thereof.

2. This Act shall be construed as one Act within the Act respecting the Municipal Institutions of Upper Canada, and as if its provisions were How this Act shall be construed.
 contained in that Act.