



## Treason Act 1351

1351 CHAPTER 2 25 Edw 3 Stat 5

**II Declaration what Offences shall be adjudged Treason. Compassing the Death of the King, Queen, or their eldest Son; violating the Queen, or the King's eldest Daughter unmarried, or his eldest Son's Wife; levying War; adhering to the King's Enemies; killing the Chancellor, Treasurer, or Judges in Execution of their Duty. **E+W****

ITEM, Whereas divers Opinions have been before this Time [<sup>X1</sup>in what Case Treason shall be said, and in what not;] the King, at the Request of the Lords and of the Commons, hath made a Declaration in the Manner as hereafter followeth, that is to say; When a Man doth compass or imagine the Death of our Lord the King, or of our Lady his [<sup>X2</sup>Queen] or of their eldest Son and Heir; or if a Man do violate the King's [<sup>X2</sup>Companion,] or the King's eldest Daughter unmarried, or the Wife (<sup>X3</sup>) the King's eldest Son and Heir; or if a Man do levy War against our Lord the King in his Realm, or be adherent to the King's Enemies in his Realm, giving to them Aid and Comfort in the Realm, or elsewhere, and thereof be [<sup>X4</sup>probably] attainted of open Deed by [<sup>X5</sup>the People] of their Condition: . . . <sup>F1</sup>, and if a Man slea the Chancellor, Treasurer, or the King's Justices of the one Bench or the other, Justices in Eyre, or Justices of Assise, and all other Justices assigned to hear and determine, being in their Places, doing their Offices: And it is to be understood, that in the Cases above rehearsed, [<sup>X6</sup>that] ought to be judged Treason which extends to our Lord the King, and his Royal Majesty: . . . <sup>F2</sup>

**Changes to legislation:** There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Treason Act 1351, Section II. (See end of Document for details)

Statuti apud Westm in P'liamento in festo S'ci hillarii  
anno regni Regis E. I cii vicesimo quinto tento, I ciii.

*Ex magno Rot. Stat. in Turri  
Lond. m. 16.*

Auxint p' ceo si d'ices opi-  
nions ouit este einz ces heures  
qui cas, q'nt il avient doit estre  
dit treason, & en quel cas noun, le  
Roi a la requeste des Seign' &  
de la Coe, ad fait declarissement  
q' ensuit. Cest assavoir: q'nt  
homme fait composer ou ima-  
giner la mort nre Seign' le Roi,  
mi dame sa compaigne, ou de  
leur fiz primer & heir; ou si  
homme violast la compaigne le  
Roi, ou le seigneur fil le Roi nre  
marie, ou la compaigne le seigneur  
fiz & heir du Roi, & si homme  
leve de pierre contre nre dit  
Seign' le Roi en son Roialme, ou  
soit abedant as enemys nre  
Seign' le Roi en le Roialme,

donant a eux eid ou confort en  
son Roialme ou p' ailleurs, & de  
ceo p'ablement soit assent de  
oiv' faite p' gentz de leur condi-  
cion: . . . et si homme tant  
Chancelier, Tresorer, ou Justice  
nre Seign' le Roi del un Banck  
ou del autre, Justice en Bar &  
des assises & toutes auts Jus-  
tices assignez a oier & terminer  
existenz en leurs places en  
fesantz leurs offices: et fait a  
entendre qen les cases susno-  
mer doit estre ajage treason [q'  
sistent] a nre Seign' le Roi & a  
sa real Majeste; . . .

\* Le statut Rot. Stat.

### Editorial Information

- X1** Variant reading of the text noted in *The Statutes of the Realm* as follows: what case should be adjudged Treason, and what not;
- X2** Variant reading of the text noted in *The Statutes of the Realm* as follows: Wife
- X3** Variant reading of the text noted in *The Statutes of the Realm* as follows: of
- X4** Variant reading of the text noted in *The Statutes of the Realm* as follows: proveably *MS. Tr.*
- X5** Variant reading of the text noted in *The Statutes of the Realm* as follows: People
- X6** Variant reading of the text noted in *The Statutes of the Realm* as follows: it

### Textual Amendments

- F1** Words repealed by the Act 2 & 3 Will. 4 c. 34, s. 1 and [Forgery Act 1830 \(c. 66\), s. 31](#)
- F2** Words repealed by the Act 9 Geo. 4 c. 31, s. 1, the Act 10 Geo. 4 c. 34 s. 1, [Escheat \(Procedure\) Act 1887 \(c. 53\), Sch.](#), [Statute Law Revision Act 1948 \(c. 62\), Sch. 1](#), [Criminal Law Act 1967 \(c. 58\), Sch. 3 Pt. I](#) and [Criminal Law Act \(Northern Ireland\) 1967 \(c. 18\), Sch. 2 Pt. I](#)

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