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- I Where Election of Fellows, Officers, &c. of Colleges, Hospitals, &c. shall be produced by Bribery, the Election declared void.
- II Penalty on Resignation of any Fellowship, Office, &c. for Money, &c.; Double the Amount on the Resigner, and Incapacity in the Giver.
- III
- IV Simoniacal Presentations to Benefices, &c. declared void: Penalty of Double the yearly Value on the Giver and Taker; and the Giver incapacitated to hold the Benefice.
- V Penalty on corruptly instituting, &c. to Benefices, &c. Double the yearly Value; Institution void, and Patron, &c. may present.
- VI
- VII Penalty on corrupt Resignation of Benefices; Double the Sum given, by Giver and Taker: Application of Penalties.
- VIII Penalties under Spiritual Laws shall remain in force.
- IX Penalty on corrupt Ordination, &c. of Ministers; On the Receiver, £40; and on the Minister, £10, and 7 Years Incapacity to hold any Benefice.

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Simony Act 1588.