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Piracy Act 1721

1721 CHAPTER 24 8 Geo 1

An Act for the more effectual suppressing of Piracy.

Whereas the number of persons committing piracies, felonies, and robberies upon the seas is of late very much increased, and notwithstanding the laws already made and now in being, many idle and profligate persons have turned pirates, and betaken themselves to that wicked course of life, whereby the trade and navigation into remote parts will greatly suffer unless some further provision be speedily made for bringing such persons and all others who shall be any ways aiding and assisting, or in confederacy with them, to condign punishment:

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1 Short title given by [Short Titles Act 1896 \(c. 14\)](#)
- C2 Act repealed so far as it relates to the punishment of piracy or of any offence declared to be piracy or of accessories thereto respectively by [Piracy Act 1837 \(c. 88\), s. 1](#)

Commencement Information

- I1 Act wholly in force at Royal Assent

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