

Criminal Law Act 1826

1826 CHAPTER 64

An Act for improving the Administration of Criminal Justice in *England.* [26th May 1826]

WHEREAS it is expedient to define under what Circumstances Persons may be admitted to Bail in Cases of Felony, and to make better Provision for taking Examinations, Informations, Bailments, and Recognizances, and returning the same to the proper Tribunals : And whereas the technical Strictness of Criminal Proceedings might in many Instances be relaxed, so as to ensure the Punishment of the guilty, without depriving the accused of any just Means of Defence; and the Administration of Justice in that Part of the United Kingdom called *England* might in other respects be rendered more effectual:

Be it therefore enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same,