



# Demise of the Crown Act 1727

1727 CHAPTER 5 1 Geo 2 St 1

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An Act . . . . .  
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for altering and explaining the Acts of Parliament therein mentioned,  
in relation to qualifying Persons for continuing in Offices, . . . .  
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after the Demise of his late Majesty, his Heirs and Successors . . . .  
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Preamble. 1707 c. 41

Whereas by the Succession to the<sup>M1</sup> Crown Act 1707 it was amongst other things enacted, that no office, place, or employment, civil or military, within the kingdoms of Great Britain or Ireland, dominion of Wales, town of Berwick upon Tweed, isles of Jersey, Guernsey, Alderney, and Sarke, or any of her said late Majesty's plantations, should become void by reason of the demise or death of her said late Majesty, her heirs or successors; but every person, in any of the offices, places, and employments aforesaid, should continue in their respective offices, places, and employments for the space of six months next after such death or demise, unless sooner removed and discharged by the next in succession, as in the said Act is expressed.

#### Textual Amendments

- F1 Words repealed by [Statute Law Revision Act 1887 \(c. 59\)](#)
- F2 Words repealed by [Statute Law Revision Act 1948 \(c. 62\)](#), [Sch. 1](#)

#### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1 Short title given by [Short Titles Act 1896 \(c. 14\)](#), [Sch. 1](#)

#### Marginal Citations

- M1 [1707 c. 41](#).

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*Changes to legislation:* There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Demise of the Crown Act 1727. (See end of Document for details)

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**Textual Amendments**

**F3** Ss. 1–6 repealed by Statute Law Revision Act 1867 (c. 59)

[<sup>F47</sup> **Certain officers continued.** **E+W+S**

And whereas a doubt hath arisen whether, by virtue of the said recited Act, any officers are continued in their offices, places, or employments, except such officers as have been or shall be nominated, constituted, or appointed by her said late Majesty, her heirs or successors, Kings or Queens of this realme: For the explaining the said Act, and preventing all inconveniences that might arise from the determination of the offices herein after mentioned and described, upon the demise of his said late Majesty, or of his present Majesty (whom God long preserve), his heirs or successors, or by reason of the determination of any grant of the principality of Wales, or earldom of Chester, or of any descent of the dutchy of Cornwall, or of the custody of the said dutchy coming to the crown, it was the true intent and meaning of the said recited Act, that neither . . .<sup>F5</sup> nor any other office, place, or employment, civil or military, of the nomination, constitution, or appointment of the Prince of Wales, Duke of Cornwall, or Earl of Chester, for the time being, within the said principality of Wales, dutchy of Cornwall, or county palatine of Chester, should become void upon the demise of his said late Majesty, or of his Majesty, his heirs or successors, or by reason of the determination of any grant of the principality of Wales, or earldom of Chester, or by reason of any descent of the said dutchy, or of the custody of the said dutchy coming to the crown, but that . . .<sup>F5</sup> all . . .<sup>F5</sup> the offices aforesaid, should and ought to continue, and shall and may continue, in such offices, places, and employments by the space of six months from the time of the demise of his said late Majesty, or of his Majesty, his heirs or successors, or of any determination of any grant of the principality of Wales, or earldom of Chester, or of any descent of the said dutchy, or of the custody of the said dutchy coming to the crown respectively, unless sooner removed or discharged by his Majesty, his heirs or successors, or by the Prince of Wales, Duke of Cornwall, or Earl of Chester, for the time being respectively.]

**Textual Amendments**

**F4** S. 7 repealed so far as it relates to any sheriff by Sheriffs Act 1887 (c. 55), **Sch. 3**

**F5** Words repealed by Statute Law Revision Act 1948 (c. 62), **Sch. 1**

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