

Probate and Legacy Duties Act 1808

1808 CHAPTER 149

XII Penalty for issuing Bills or Drafts post-dated, or without mentioning the Place where drawn, without Stamps, under colour of the Exemption of Bankers Checks. Penalty for receiving such Bills or Drafts, and on Bankers, &c. for paying same.

And for the more effectually preventing of Frauds and Evasions of the Duties now payable or hereby granted on Bills of Exchange, Drafts, or Orders for the Payment of Money, under colour of the Exemption in favour of Drafts or Orders upon Bankers, or Persons acting as Bankers, contained in the Schedule (A.) annexed to the said Act of the Forty-fourth Year of His Majesty's Reign, or in the Schedule hereunto annexed; be it further enacted, That if any Person or Persons shall, after the Expiration of One Calendar Month from the passing of this Act, make and issue, or cause to be made and issued, any Bill, Draft, or Order for the Payment of Money, to the Bearer, on Demand, upon any Banker or Bankers, or any Person or Persons acting as a Banker or Bankers, which shall be dated on any Day subsequent to the Day on which it shall be issued, or which shall not truly specify and express the Place where it shall be issued, or which shall not in every respect fall within the said Exemption, unless the same shall be duly stamped as a Bill of Exchange, according to the Law in force when the same shall be issued, the Person or Persons so offending shall for every such Offence forfeit the Sum of One hundred Pounds; and if any Person or Persons shall knowingly receive or take any such Bill, Draft, or Order in Payment of or as a Security for the Sum therein mentioned, he, she, or they shall for every such Offence forfeit the Sum of Twenty Pounds; and if any Banker or Bankers, or any Person or Persons acting as a Banker, upon whom any such Bill, Draft, or Order shall be drawn, shall pay, or cause or permit to be paid, the Sum of Money therein expressed, or any Part thereof, knowing the same to be post-dated, or knowing that the Place where it was issued is not truly specified and set forth therein, or knowing that the same does not, in any other respect, fall within the said Exemption, then the Banker or Bankers, or Person or Persons so offending shall for every such Offence forfeit the Sum of One hundred Pounds, and moreover shall not be allowed the Money so paid, or any Part thereof, in account against the Person or Persons by or for whom such Bill, Draft, or Order shall be drawn, or his, her, or their Executors or Administrators, or his her, or their Assignees or Creditors, in case of Bankruptcy or Insolvency, or any other Person or Persons claiming under him, her, or them.