

# Statute Law Revision Act (No 2) 1888

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**An Act for further promoting the revision of the statute law by repealing superfluous expressions of enactment, and enactments which have ceased to be in force or have become unnecessary**

### **Preamble**

Whereas in numerous statutes the expression “be it further enacted”, or similar expressions of enactment, are frequently repeated, and it is expedient, with a view to the revision of the Statute Law, and particularly to the improvement of the Revised Edition of the Statutes, to repeal these expressions which are superfluous.

Whereas it is expedient that certain enactments which may be regarded as spent, or have ceased to be in force otherwise than

by express specific repeal by Parliament, or have, by lapse of time or otherwise, become unnecessary, should be expressly and specifically repealed.

**1 Enactments in Schedule repealed: Saving**

The enactments described in the Schedule to this Act are hereby repealed, subject to the exceptions and qualifications in the Schedule mentioned:

Provided that the repeal of any words or expressions of enactment described in the Schedule to this Act shall not affect the binding force, operation, or construction of any statute, or of any part of a statute, whether as respects the past or future:

And where any enactment not comprised in the Schedule to this Act has been repealed, confirmed, revived, or perpetuated by any enactment hereby repealed, such repeal, confirmation, revivor, or perpetuation shall not be affected by the repeal effected by this Act:

And the repeal by this Act of any enactment or Schedule shall not affect any enactment in which such enactment or Schedule has been applied, incorporated, or referred to; nor shall such repeal of any enactment affect any right to any hereditary revenues of the Crown, or affect any charges thereupon or prevent any such enactment from being put in force for the collection of any such revenues, or otherwise in relation thereto:

And this Act shall not affect the validity, invalidity, effect, or consequences of anything already done or suffered,—or any existing status or capacity,— or any right, title, obligation, or liability already acquired, accrued, or incurred, or any remedy or proceeding in respect thereof,— or any release or discharge of or from any debt, penalty, obligation, liability, claim, or demand,—or any indemnity,—or the proof of any past act or thing; nor shall this Act affect any principle or rule of law or equity, or established jurisdiction, form or course of pleading, practice, or procedure, or the general or public nature of any statute, or any existing usage, franchise, liberty, custom, privilege, restriction, exemption, office, appointment, payment, allowance, emolument, or benefit, or any prospective right, notwithstanding that the same respectively may have been in any manner affirmed, recognised, or derived by, in, or from any

enactment hereby repealed; nor shall this Act revive or restore any jurisdiction, office, duty, drawback, fee, payment, franchise, liberty, custom, liability, right, title, privilege, restriction, exemption, usage, practice, procedure, form of punishment, or other matter or thing not now existing or in force: And this Act shall not extend to repeal any enactment so far as the same may be in force in any part of Her Majesty's Dominions out of the United Kingdom, except where otherwise expressed in the said Schedule.

### 3 Short Title

This Act may be cited as the Statute Law Revision Act (No 2) 1888 (Imp).

## Schedule

Section 1

A description or citation of a portion of an Act is inclusive of the words, section, or other part, first or last mentioned, or otherwise referred to as forming the beginning or as forming the end of the portion comprised in the description or citation.

Enactments which have been already repealed are, in a few instances, included in the Schedule, in order to avoid the necessity of reference to previous statutes.

Reign and Chapter	Title
3 and 4 Will 4, c 41	<p>An Act for the better administration of justice in His Majesty's Privy Council.</p> <p>In part; namely,—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Section 1, the words “the Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain for the time being,” from “Lord Chief Justice,” where those words first occur, to</li> </ul>

“bankruptcy,” and from  
“or held” to “Britain”.

- The words “And be it further enacted, that” and “And be it enacted that” wherever they occur (except in section 31), and the word “that” wherever it occurs with reference to the introductory words so repealed.
- Section 31, the words “and be it enacted”.