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An Act to alter an Act passed in the Eleventh Year of the Reign of King George the Second, for the more effectual securing the Payment of Rents, and preventing Frauds by Tenants. [27th June 1817.]

HEREAS by an Act of Parliament passed in the Eleventh Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Second, intituled An Act for the more effectual fecuring the 116.2.c. 19. Payment of Rents, and preventing Frauds by Tenants, it is amongst other Things enacted, that from and after the Twenty-fourth Day of June One thousand seven hundred and thirty-eight, if any Tenant holding any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments at a Rack Kent, or where the Rent referved should be full Three-fourths of the Yearly Value of the demised Premises, who should be in Arrear for One Year's Rent, should desert the demised Premises, and leave the same uncultivated or unoccupied, so as no sufficient Distress could be had to countervail the Arrears of Rent, it should and might be lawful to and for Two or more Justices of the Peace of the County, Riding, Division, or Place (having no Interest in the demised Premises), at the Request of the Lessor or Landlord, Lessors or Landlords, or his, her, or their Bailist or Receiver, to go upon and view the same, and to affix or cause to be affixed on the most notorious Part of the Premises Notice in Writing what Day (at the Distance of Fourteen Days at least) they would return to take a Second View thereof; and if upon fuch Second View the Tenant, or some Person on his or her Behalf, should not appear and pay the Rent in Arrear, or there should not be sufficient Distress upon the Premises, then the said

Certain Provisions of recited Act extended to the Case of Tenants in Arrear for One Half Year's Rent instead of One Year.

Justices might put the Landlord or Landlords, Lessor or Lessors, into the Possession of the said demised Premises; and the Lease thereof to such Tenant, as to any Demise therein contained only, should from thenceforth become void: And whereas it is expedient, for the due Protection of the Interest of Landlords, that so much of the said Act as requires a Tenant to be in Arrear for One Year's Rent should be altered, and that the Provisions of the said Act should be extended to Tenancies where no Right of Entry in case of Non-payment is reserved to the Landlord; 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 fame, That from and after the passing of this Act the Provisions, Powers, and Remedies by the faid recited Act given to Lesfors and Landlords in case of any Tenant deserting the demised Premises, and leaving the same uncultivated or unoccupied, so as no sufficient Distress can be had to countervail the Arrears of Rent, shall be extended to the Case of Tenants holding any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments at a Rack Rent, or where the Rent referved shall be full Three Fourths of the Yearly Value of the demised Premises, and who shall be in Arrear for One Half Year's Rent (instead of for One Year, as in the said recited Act is provided and enacted), and who shall hold such Lands and Tenements or Hereditaments under any Demile or Agreement either written or verbal, and although no Right or Power of Re-entry be referved or given to the Landlord in case of Non-payment of Rent, who shall be in Arrear for One Half Year's Rent, instead of for One Year, as in the said recited Act is provided and enacted.

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