



# Indictable Offences Act 1848

## 1848 CHAPTER 42

An Act to facilitate the Performance of the Duties of Justices of the Peace out of Sessions within *England* and *Wales* with respect to Persons charged with indictable Offences. [14th August 1848]

WHEREAS it would conduce much to the Improvement of the Administration of Criminal Justice within *England* and *Wales* if the several Statutes and Parts of Statutes relating to the Duties of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace therein with respect to Persons charged with indictable Offences were consolidated, with such Additions and Alterations as may be deemed necessary, and that such Duties should be clearly defined by positive Enactment:

Be it therefore declared and enacted by the Queen'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,