



House of Commons Offices Act 1856

1856 CHAPTER 1

An Act to regulate certain Offices of the House of Commons. [28th February 1856]

WHEREAS under an Act of King George the Third, Chapter Eleven, intituled *An Act to repeal an Act passed in the Thirty-ninth and Fortieth Year of His present Majesty, for establishing certain Regulations in the Offices of the House of Commons, and to establish other and further Regulations in the said Offices*, the Clerk of the House of Commons has the Power of Nomination or Appointment of all the Clerks in his Department, together with the Power of Suspension and Removal of all the Clerks so by him nominated or appointed : And whereas Sir *Denis Le Marchant* Baronet, on being appointed Clerk of, the House of Commons, agreed that the Clerk Assistant and Second Clerk Assistant of the House should thereafter be appointed by Her Majesty : And whereas Her Majesty has, on the Recommendation of the Speaker, signified Her Pleasure that *Thomas Erskine May* Esquire be appointed Clerk Assistant of the said House ; but the Powers of Appointment under the said Act cannot be varied without the Authority of Parliament :

Be it 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, as follows :

I Appointment of Clerk Assistant confirmed, and future Clerks Assistant to be appointed by Her Majesty.

The Appointment of the said *Thomas Erskine May* shall be confirmed, and the Clerk Assistant and Second Clerk Assistant of the House of Commons respectively shall hereafter be appointed by Her Majesty by "Warrant under Her Royal Sign Manual, and every present and future Clerk Assistant and Second Clerk Assistant shall be removable only by Her Majesty, upon an Address of the House of Commons to Her Majesty for that Purpose.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

II So much of Acts as fixes Salary of Second Clerk Assistant repealed.

So much of the several Acts relating to the Offices of the House of Commons as fixes the Salary of the Second Clerk Assistant, and charges such Salary on the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom, shall be repealed.