

CHAPTER MDCLXXII.

AN ACT FOR VESTING THE POWERS FORMERLY EXERCISED BY THE SUPREME EXECUTIVE COUNCIL, IN THE PROPER DEPARTMENTS UNDER THE PRESENT CONSTITUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

Whereas during the continuance of the late constitution of this commonwealth, divers acts of the general assembly were passed, whereby the supreme executive council of the state, or the president or vice president thereof, were vested with sundry powers and authorities in such acts respectively particularly specified. And whereas it is expedient that such of the said powers and authorities as appertain to the supreme executive authority of the government, should be expressly transferred to the governor of this commonwealth. Therefore:

[Section I.] (Section I, P. L.) Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That in all cases, where, by the laws of this commonwealth, the supreme executive council, or the president or vice president thereof, is mentioned as having power and authority to carry the same into effect, the governor, for the time being, shall be deemed and taken to be in the place and stead of the said supreme executive council, or the president or the vice president thereof, and shall have and exercise all the powers in them or any or either of them vested, unless such powers have been and are by law vested in some other officer or officers, person or persons, or shall be inconsistent with the provisions contained in the existing constitution of the commonwealth.

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