

county treasurers, and so much of the act, entitled "An act for granting the sum of sixty thousand pounds to the King's use and for striking fifty-five thousand pounds thereof in bills of credit, and to provide a fund for sinking the same,"¹ as relates to the securities to be given by the treasurers of the respective counties appointed to receive the levies and bills of credit collected for sinking the moneys granted to His Majesty's use shall be and are hereby declared to be repealed, null and void.

Passed September 26, 1767. Confirmed by the King in Council March 6, 1769. See Appendix XXVI, Section III.

As to Section I, see the Acts of Assembly passed March 5, 1780, Chapter 1488; March 28, 1808, P. L. 497; April 15, 1834, P. L. 537; April 21, 1876, P. L. 46.

As to Sections II-IV, see the Acts of Assembly passed April 11, 1799, Chapter 2095; March 30, 1811, P. L. 145; April 8, 1826, P. L. 260; April 15, 1828, P. L. 491; April 15, 1834, P. L. 537; May 27, 1841, P. L. 400; February 2, 1854, P. L. 21; May 7, 1855, P. L. 495; February 13, 1871, P. L. 88.

The power of the states to impose tonnage duties was taken away by Article I, Section VIII, of the Constitution of the United States, which consequently abolished the state office of collector of tonnage duties.

CHAPTER DLXIX.

AN ACT FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THIS PROVINCE AND PAYMENT OF THE PUBLIC DEBTS.

Whereas by an act of general assembly of this province passed in this present year of His Majesty's reign, entitled "An act for raising the sum of twenty thousand pounds for the support of the government of this province and payment of the public debts,"² the sum of twenty thousand pounds in bills of credit were made and deposited in the provincial treasury, with which the treasurer was directed to pay off and discharge all such drafts and certificates as had been before the passing of the said act made by order of assembly, and in case there should re-

¹ Passed November 27, 1755, Chapter 406.

² Passed May 20, 1767, Chapter 559.

main any surplus of the said bills of credit after the said drafts and certificates should be paid, that such surplus should be disposed of by the act of general assembly:

And whereas there now remains in the said treasury a surplus of the said bills more than sufficient to pay off the said drafts and certificates amounting to near the sum of eight thousand pounds, and a further sum is wanting to defray the expense of supplying such of His Majesty's troops as are or may be quartered in this province and to discharge divers other drafts and certificates issued by assembly for the support of government and payment of the public debts:

[Section I.] Be it therefore enacted by the Honorable John Penn, Esquire, Lieutenant-Governor under the Honorable Thomas [Penn] and Richard Penn, Esquires, true and absolute Proprietaries of the Province of Pennsylvania and counties of Newcastle, Kent and Sussex upon Delaware, by and with the advice and consent of the representatives of the freemen of the said Province in General Assembly met, and by the authority of the same, That the said treasurer shall with the surplus of the said bills of credit now remaining in his hands, pay off and discharge all such drafts and certificates as have been before the passing of this act made by order of assembly, together with such other orders as shall be drawn on him by the barrack-masters of Philadelphia and Lancaster respectively for necessaries supplied such of His Majesty's troops as are or may be quartered within this province, agreeable to the directions of an act of general assembly passed in the sixth year of His present Majesty's reign, entitled "An act for granting to His Majesty the sum of four thousand pounds out of the moneys now remaining in the hands of the provincial treasurer,"¹ and in case there shall remain any further surplus of the said bills over and above the amount of the same drafts, certificates and orders, such surplus shall be disposed of hereafter by act of general assembly.

Passed September 26, 1767. Confirmed by the King in Council, March 6, 1769. See Appendix XXVI, Section III, and the note to the act of Assembly passed March 5, 1725-26, Chapter 289; and the Act of Assembly passed February 18, 1769, Chapter 580.

¹ Passed September 20, 1766, Chapter 542.