



# Statute of Monopolies 1623

1623 CHAPTER 3 21 Ja 1

## VI Proviso for future Patents for 14 Years or less, for new Inventions.

Provided alsoe That any Declaracion before mencioned shall not extend to any tres Patents and Graunt of Privilege for the tearme of fowerteene yeares or under, hereafter to be made of the sole working or makinge of any manner of new Manufactures within this Realme, to the true and first Inventor and Inventors of such Manufactures, which others at the tyme of makeinge such tres Patents and Graunts shall not use, soe as alsoe they be not contrary to the Lawe nor mischievous to the State, by raisinge prices of Commodities at home, or hurt of Trade, or generallie inconvenient; the said fourteene yeares to be [<sup>X1</sup>accomplished] from the date of the first tres Patents or Grant of such priviledge hereafter to be made, but that the same shall be of such force as they should be if this Act had never byn made, and of none other.

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### Editorial Information

- X1 Variant reading of the text noted in *The Statutes of the Realm* as follows: accompted *O*. [*O*. refers to a collection in the library of Trinity College, Cambridge]

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Statute of Monopolies 1623, Section VI.