



# Union with Scotland (Amendment ) Act 1707

1707 CHAPTER 40 6 Ann

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An Act for rendring the Union of the Two Kingdoms more intire and complete.

**One Privy Council for Great Britain.** Whereas by Her Majesties great Wisdom and Goodness the Union of the two Kingdoms hath been happily effected and the whole Island is thereby subject to one Sovereignty and represented by one Parliament to the end therefore that the said Union may be rendred more complete and intire be it enacted by the Queens 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 That from and after the First day of May in the Year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and eight the Queen's Majesty Her Heirs and Successors shall have but one Privy Council in or for the Kingdom of Great Britain to be sworn to Her Majesty Her Heirs and Successors as Sovereigns of Great Britain and such Privy Council shall have the same Powers and Authorities as the Privy Council of England lawfully had used and exercised at the time of the Union and none other

#### **Editorial Information**

**X1** This Act is Chapter VI. 6 Ann in the Common printed Editions

#### **Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

**C1** Short title given by [Short Titles Act 1896 \(c. 14\)](#)

## **II Appointment of Justices of Peace for Scotland.**

And to the end the publick Peace may be in like manner preserved throughout the whole Kingdom be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid That in every Shire within Scotland and also in such Cities Boroughs Liberties and Precincts within Scotland as Her Majesty Her Heirs or Successors shall think fit there shall be appointed by Her Majesty Her Heirs or Successors under the Great Seal of Great Britain a sufficient number of good and lawful men to be Justices of the Peace within their

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respective Shires Cities Boroughs Liberties or Precincts which persons so appointed over and above the several powers and authorities vested in Justices of the Peace by the Laws of Scotland shall be further authorized to do use and exercise over all persons within their several Bounds whatever doth appertain to the Office and Trust of a Justice of Peace by virtue of the Laws and Acts of Parliament made in England before the Union in relation to or for the Preservation of the publick Peace Provided nevertheless that in the Sessions of [<sup>X2</sup>the] Peace the Methods of Tryal and Judgments shall be according to the Laws and Customs of Scotland

**Editorial Information**  
X2 interlined on the Roll.

**III Proviso for Edinburgh, and other Royal Burghs.**

Provided That nothing in this Act contained shall be construed to alter or infringe any rights liberties or privileges heretofore granted to the City of Edinburgh or to any other Royal Borough of being Justices of Peace within their respective Bounds.

**IV** ..... F1

**Textual Amendments**  
F1 S. 4 repealed by [Circuit Courts and Criminal Procedure \(Scotland\) Act 1925 \(c. 81\)](#), [Sch.](#)

**V** ..... F2

**Textual Amendments**  
F2 S. 5 repealed with savings by [Representation of the People Act 1949 \(c. 68\)](#), s. 175, [Sch. 9](#)

**VI** ..... F3

**Textual Amendments**  
F3 S. 6 repealed by [Statute Law Revision Act 1867 \(c. 59\)](#)

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