



# Forfeiture Act 1870

1870 CHAPTER 23 33 and 34 Vict

## 2 Conviction for treason or felony to be a disqualification for offices, &c.

<sup>F1</sup> . . . if any person hereafter convicted of treason . . . <sup>F2</sup>, shall at the time of such conviction hold any military or naval office, or any civil office under the Crown or other public employment, . . . <sup>F3</sup>, or any place, office, or emolument in any university, college, or other corporation, or be entitled to any pension or superannuation allowance payable by the public, or out of any public fund, such office, . . . <sup>F3</sup>, employment, or place shall forthwith become vacant, and such pension or superannuation allowance or emolument shall forthwith determine and cease to be payable, unless such person shall receive a free pardon from Her Majesty, within two months after such conviction, or before the filling up of such office, . . . <sup>F3</sup>, employment, or place if given at a later period; and such person shall become, and (until he shall have suffered the punishment to which he had been sentenced, or such other punishment as by competent authority may be substituted for the same, or shall receive a free pardon from Her Majesty), shall continue thenceforth incapable of holding any military or naval office, or any civil office under the Crown or other public employment, . . . <sup>F3</sup>, or of being elected, or sitting, or voting as a member of either House of Parliament, or of exercising any right of suffrage or other parliamentary or municipal franchise whatever within England, Wales, or Ireland.

### Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 2 repealed (5.11.1993) by 1993 c. 50, s. 1(1), **Sch. 1**, Pt. I Group 1.
- F2** Words repealed by (E.W.) **Criminal Law Act 1967** (c. 58), **Sch. 3 Pt. III** and (N.I.) **Criminal Law (Northern Ireland) Act 1967** (c. 18), **Sch. 2 Pt. II**
- F3** Words repealed by **Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction Measure 1963** (No. 1), **Sch. 5**

### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** S. 2 amended by (E.W.) **Criminal Justice Act 1948** (c. 58), s. 70(2) and (N.I.) **Criminal Justice Act (Northern Ireland) 1953** (c. 14), s. 9(2)
- C2** References to Ireland to be construed as exclusive of Republic of Ireland: S.R. & O. 1923/405 (Rev. X, p. 298: 1923, p. 400), art. 2
- C3** S. 2 repealed (E. W. except as to London) in so far as it relates to members of local authorities by **Local Government Act 1933** (c. 51), **Sch. 10**, **Sch. 11 Pt. IV**; (as to London) in so far as it relates to

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membership of a local authority by [London Government Act 1939 \(c. 40\)](#), [Sch. 8](#) and (N.I.) in so far as it relates to members of a local body by [Local Government \(Members and Officers\) Act \(Northern Ireland\) 1964 \(c. 14\)](#), [Sch.](#)

**C4** S. 2 modified (14.5.2014) by [House of Lords Reform Act 2014 \(c. 24\)](#), [ss. 6\(2\)\(a\)](#), 7(3)

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