

in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That from and after the Four and twentieth Day of *June* next, which shall be in the Year One thousand six hundred ninety eight, all and every Bill or Bills of Exchange drawn in, or dated at and from, any trading City or Town, or any other Place in the Kingdom of *England*, Dominion of *Wales*, or Town of *Berwick upon Tweed*, of the Sum of Five Pounds Sterling or upwards, upon any Person or Persons of or in *London*, or any other Trading City, Town, or any other Place (in which said Bill or Bills of Exchange shall be acknowledged and expressed the said Value to be received) and is and shall be drawn payable at a certain number of Days, Weeks, or Months after Date thereof, that from and after Presentation and Acceptance of the said Bill or Bills of Exchange (which Acceptance shall be by the underwriting the same under the Party's Hand so accepting) and after the Expiration of Three Days after the said Bill or Bills shall become due, the Party to whom the said Bill or Bills are made payable, his Servant, Agent, or Assigns, may and shall cause the said Bill or Bills to be protested by a Notary Publick, and in default of such Notary Publick, by any other substantial Person of the City, Town, or Place, in the presence of Two or more credible Witnesses, refusal or neglect being first made of due Payment of the same; which Protest shall be made and written under a fair written Copy of the said Bill of Exchange, in the Words or Form following:

“*Know all Men*, that I, A. B. on the _____ Day of
 “ _____ at the usual Place of Abode of the said _____ have
 “demanded Payment of the Bill, of which the above is a
 “Copy, which the said _____ did not pay, wherefore I the
 “said _____ do hereby protest the said Bill. Dated at
 “this _____ Day of _____

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