

II. And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That in case any Lessee for Life or Lives, Term of Years, at Will, or otherwise, of Messuages, Lands, or Tenements, upon the Demise whereof any Rents are or shall be reserved or made payable, shall, from and after the said first Day of *May*, fraudulently or clandestinely convey or carry off or from such demised Premises his Goods or Chattels, with Intent to prevent the Landlord or Lessor from distraining the same for Arrears of such Rent so reserved, as aforesaid, it shall and may be lawful to and for such Lessor or Landlord, or any Person or Persons by him for that Purpose lawfully impowered, within the Space of five Days next ensuing such conveying away or carrying off such Goods or Chattels, as aforesaid, to take and seize such Goods and Chattels where ever the same shall be found, as a Distress for the said Arrears of such Rent; and the same to sell, or otherwise dispose of, in such Manner, as if the said Goods and Chattels had actually been distrained by such Lessor or Landlord, in and upon **682** such demised Premises for such *Arrears of Rent; any Law, Custom or Usage to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

III. Provided nevertheless, That nothing in this Act contained shall extend, or be construed to extend, to impower such Lessor or Landlord to take or seize any Goods or Chattels as a Distress for Arrears of Rent, which shall be sold *bona fide*, and for a valuable Consideration, before such Seizure made; any Thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

IV. And whereas no Action of Debt lies against a Tenant for Life or Lives, for any Arrears of Rent, during the Continuance of such Estate for Life or Lives; Be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That from and after the said first Day of *May*, it shall and may be lawful for any Person or Persons, having any Rent in Arrear, or due upon any Lease or Demise for Life or Lives, to bring an Action or Actions of Debt for such Arrears of Rent, in the same Manner they might have done, in case such Rent were due, and reserved upon a Lease for Years.

V. And it is hereby further enacted and declared by the Authority aforesaid, That all distresses hereby impowered to be made, as aforesaid, shall be liable to such Sales, and in such Manner, and the Monies arising by such Sales to be distributed in like Manner as by an Act made in the second Year of the Reign of their late Majesties King *William* and Queen *Mary*,