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STATUTES

Made at WESTMINSTER, Anno Regni GEORGH II. *decimo octavo* and A. D. 1745.

CAP. XXXIV.

An Act to explain, amend, and make more effectual the Laws in Being, to prevent excessive and deceitful Gaming; and to restrain and prevent the excessive Increase of Horse Races.

III. And whereas in and by a certain Statute, made in the ninth Year of the Reign of her late Majesty Queen Anne, intituled *An Act for the better preventing excessive and deceitful gaming*, it is amongst other Things enacted, That from and after the first day of May one thousand seven hundred and eleven, any Person or Persons whatsoever, who should at any Time or Sitting, by Playing at Cards, Dice, Tables, or other Game or Games whatsoever; or by betting on the Sides or Hands of such who do play at any of the Games aforesaid, lose to any one or more Person or Persons so playing or betting, in the Whole, the Sum of ten Pounds, and should pay and deliver the same, or any Part thereof, the Person or Persons so losing, or paying or delivering the same, should be at Liberty within three Months then next, to sue for, and recover the Money or Goods so lost and paid, or delivered, or any Part thereof from the respective Winner or Winners thereof, with Costs of Suit; to be sued for, and recovered by Action of Debt, founded on the said Act, to be prosecuted in any of her then said Majesty's Courts of Record; in which Actions or Suits no Essoin, Protection, Wager of Law, Privilege of Parliament, or more than one Impar lance should be allowed, with further Directions, as in the said Act are particularly set forth; And whereas for the better Discovery of the Monies, or any Thing so won, and to be sued for as aforesaid, it is by the said Statute enacted, That all and every Person or Persons, who by virtue of the said Statute should or might be liable to be sued for any such Sum or Sums of Money, or valuable Things, should be obliged and compelled to answer, upon Oath, such Bill or