

An act to authorize and empower the justices and vestry of the several parishes in this island to make and erect pounds, for the better securing of all strays of horses, mares, mules, asses, and horned cattle, belonging to the inhabitants of this island.

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Transcription

ANNO 39 GEORGE III. CAP. 13.

Enacts, *Clause 8.*---“That when any stray or strays are brought to any of the said pound-keepers by any slave or slaves, such slave or slaves, such slave or slaves, before he or they shall be entitled to receive the mile-money, directed to be paid by this act for any such stray or strays, shall produce a certificate in writing, directed to the pound-keeper, from the owner or employer of such slave or slaves, or from the overseer of the pen or plantation to which he or they shall belong; in which certificate shall be described the stray or strays so taken up, and the place where the same was or were taken up, as also the number of miles such stray or strays have been brought to be impounded; and leaving with the said pound-keeper such certificate, the said pound-keeper shall forthwith pay the mile-money, at and after the rate directed by this act, to such slave or slaves, under the like penalty as for non-payment of the mile-money herein before-mentioned; any thing in this act to the contrary in anywise notwithstanding.”

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