

Elizabeth

by the grace of God. Queene of Englande, ffraunce and Ireland Defendour. of the furrthre **To our** right iustice and right
wellbelovyd Counsellour Sir Nicholas Bacon knyght keeper of our greate. Centre of Englande greetynge **fforasmuche** as see ye geven to
understand that diverse and sundrie of the Justices of peyre and other hedd Officers of our Court of Chancery within this our Realme of England forgetting they.
duenes in execution of a good made in our last parliament for the paying taking and certifying of assuunt bag have made many and sundrie defaultes
continue to the forme effecte and true meaning of the said statute by which whiche of the said statute is not so generallie and duelye put in execution as it ought to be
And for that cause see ye entitled to demande of them and eneye of them so offending for they. Generall offent and contempt the some of reune poundes as by the
same Acte and statute more playnely appeereth. But yet nevertheles because diverse of the said Justices and other hedd Officers who have offended continue to the
forme of the said statute and stand uoed charged and chargenble with the said penaltie of reune pound by enformation our Court of Chancery have and do
comitt them selves wholy to our clemencie and fadyng. without standing any thing in defence of them selves in the pemysses. And so see ye enforced to assuue
pomyse that they hereafter shalbe more diligent in the execution of the said Acte and not to comitt the like offent at any tyme. **Therefore** see hyming
consideration to they humble submission and mynding to qualifie and abate the extrenyete of the said penaltie and yet odmytting for example to payne the
said Justices and other Officers with parte of the said penaltie and thus assuue just in you. appoynted fidelite and discretion see have authorisid
assigned and appoynted you and by these pemysses do gyve unto you full podye and authoritie for us and in our name calling to you our Attorney Generall and with
his consent to compromise with all and singuley suche of our said Justices of peyre and other hedd Officers as do or shal do yeald and comitt them selves to our clemencie
as aforesaid. And which uoed ye or shalbe hereafter impeached in our said Court of Chancery by bill enformation or suggestion for and concerning the said statute
or any bymme or parte thereof. And of them and eneye of them to take and take suche reasonable fyne or fyne as to you. Expediunt and discretion by the
consent of our said Attorney shalbe thought convenient. And upon payment made to our use of suche they. Generall fyne as shalbe by vertue hereof assessed.
our pleasure is that you shalbe gyve unto them and eneye of them so compromising deere and quite discharge of all suche matters and offent touching the said
statute whiche they or any of them by bill or enformation in our said Court of Chancery shalbe charged. which discharge being subscribed by you shalbe unto
them and eneye of them against us our heires and Successors and against all other. person whatsoene. a good and sufficient acquittall and discharge forene. Any laide or
custome ordey. commendement or matter. whatsoene. to the contrary notwithstanding. And these pemysses shalbe unto you for the doing of the pemysses sufficient Warrant
and discharge as well against us our heires and Successors as against all other. person whatsoene. **In Witnes** whiche of see have caused these our
hees to be made patent. **Wytnes** our selfe at Westmynster the six and twentieth daye of Januarye in the eight yeare of our. reigne **Ruggu**

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