

It is propos'd,
That, when, upon the Demise
of His Majesty (whom God
long preserve), the Imperial
Crown of this Realm shall
descend & come to H. R. H.
Prince George, or any other of
the Issue of H. R. H. Frederick
late Prince of Wales, & the
Successor, to whom the Crown
shall so descend, shall then
be under the age of 18 years,
H. R. H. the Prince of Wales
shall be Guardian
of the Person of such Successor,
& shall have the Tutition &
Government of Him or Her, &
the ordering of all matters &
things relating thereto, until He
or She shall attain such age
of 18 years.

That Her said R. H. the
Princess shall, in such case,
immediatly on His Majesty's
Demise, and until such Successor
shall attain his or her age of
18 years, have full power &
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authority to exercise & administer the Legal Power & Government of the Kingdoms of Great Britain & Ireland & of all the Dominions & Territories thereunto belonging, under the Title or Title of Protector or Regent of the Realm; and, in the name of such Successor, & in his or her stead, until he or she shall attain the age of 18 years, shall exercise & execute all Powers authorities & Acts of Government, & Administration of Government, in like manner as such Successor could do, if he or she were of the age of 18 years; Subject notwithstanding to such Conditions, Restrictions, Limitations & Regulations, as are herein- after- mention'd.

That there shall be a Council to be call'd The Council of Regency, which shall consist of the Officers & Persons hereinafter- mention'd Describ'd, viz:

H. R. H. William Duke of Cumberland.

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The Archbishop of Canterbury,
 The Lord Chancellor or Law
 Keeper of the Great Seal,
 The Lord Treasurer or first
 Commissioner of the Treasury, —
 The Lord President,
 The Lord Privy Seal,
 The principal Secretaries
 of State, and
 The Lord Ch. Justice of the
 King's Bench,
 for the time being;

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Together with such & so many
 other Persons, being natural
 born Subjects, not exceeding
 the number of . . . , as His
 Majesty shall be pleased to
 appoint (in case His Majesty
 shall be pleased to appoint any)
 by letters patent under His
 Great Seal, revocable by His
 Majesty to his death during his
 life.

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That the Quorum of this Council
 shall be Five at least.

That H. R. H. the Duke
 shall be Chief or Head of this
 Council & shall preside in all
 Assemblies thereof when present.

That the Protector or Regent, &
 all the Members of this Council

shall take proper Oaths of
Office to be prescribed by the Act;
and shall take the oaths &
qualify themselves, as is required
by Law for Offices of Trust.

That the Protector or Regent,
& the said Council shall assemble
with all convenient Speed after
His Majesty's Decease, & cause
the Person, who shall be the next
in Succession according to the Acts
of Parliament for settling the
Succession of the Crown in the
Illustrious House of Hanover, to
be openly & solemnly proclaimed
King or Queen ^{in the usual form} under the penalties
of High Treason.

That in all Acts of Government,
or Administration of Government,
appointment or Constitution of Officers,
Disposition of Ecclesiastical
Preferments, & Administration
of the Revenues of the Crown of
Kingdom, the Protector or Regent
shall act by & with the advice &
Consent of the ^{said} Council, assembled,
or the ^{part of them} major, and all acts done
by Her contrary to, or without such
advice & consent, shall be void.

Provided always that the Protector

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or Regent may name & appoint all the officers of the Household to such minor King or Queen without the consent of the said Council.

That the Protector or Regent shall not ~~give~~ make War or Peace, Ratify any Treaty, or ~~call~~ dissolve or prorogue any Parliament without the concurrence & consent of two third parts of the whole Council then in being & within the Realm.

X Such Consent to be signed in the Books of the said Council.

That the Protector or Regent shall be restrained & disabled from giving the Royal Assent to any act or acts of Parliament for altering the Succession, as now settled & limited by Law in the House of Hanover; for repealing or altering the act of Uniformity; the act of Union; the act for securing the Church of England, or the act for securing the Protestant Religion & Presbyterian Church Government in Scotland.

That, if the Protector or Regent shall give the Royal Assent to any such act, or any of the said Council give his advice or Assent for the
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doing thereof, they shall respectively incur the penalties of High Treason.

That the Officers appointed to be of this Council, who shall be in being at His Majesty's Demise, shall continue in their respective Offices beyond the Six months now allowed by Law, subject to be removed by the Protector or Regent in the manner herein after mentioned; but none of those Officers shall be removed by the Protector or Regent without the consent of two thirds of the whole Council then in being & within the Realm, such Consent to be signed in the Books of the said Council.

Provided that any of those Officers may be removed by the Protector or Regent upon the address of both Houses of Parliament, without such Consent.

That, in case of such Removal, or Death or resignation, the Person, who shall be appointed to such Office, shall be nominated by the Protector, ^{or Regent} with the consent of two thirds ^{whole} of the Council to be signed as aforesaid, &

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The Person so appointed shall be a Member of the said Council.

That the Protector ^{or Regent} with the consent of two thirds ~~parts~~ of the whole Council to be signed as aforesaid, or, upon the Address of both Houses of Parliament, may remove any other Member of the said Council, not being one of the said Officers, and upon such Removal, or, in case of death or resignation of his place in the Council, may appoint another Councillor in his room, with like consent of two thirds to be signed as aforesaid.

That, notwithstanding this Council of Regency, there shall be a Privy Council as used, & any of the Members of the Council of Regency may be of such Privy Council.

That the Parliament, which shall be in being, or elected, at His Majesty's Demise, shall & may continue for . . . years after such Demise, Subject to be adjourned prorogued or dissolved by the Protector or Regent, with the Advice & consent of two thirds of the whole Council of Regency, to be signed as aforesaid. (That

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That the Successor shall not be married before the age of 18 without the Consent of the Protector or Regent, & of two thirds of the whole Council to be signed as aforesaid; and, in case of marriage without such consent, every person, who shall be acting or concerned in procuring or bringing about such marriage, shall incur the penalties of High Treason.

Proper Penalties to be inflicted on any Person, who, after His Majesty's Decease, shall attempt or conspire to set aside or subvert the Provision hereby made for the Administration of Government during the minority of the Successor.

Propositions
for a Regency in the
Absence of
His Majesty, King
George 2^d
in Case of His Majesty's
being a Minor