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GEORGII V REGIS.

Act No. 31, 1919.

An Act to make further provision for erecting and purchasing dwelling-houses for the people; to borrow moneys and make financial arrangements for such purposes; to amend the Housing Act, 1912, and the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto. [Assented to, 16th December, 1919.]

BE it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

PART I.

PRELIMINARY.

1. This Act may be cited as the "Housing (Extension) short title. Act, 1919."

It shall be construed with the Housing Act, 1912, hereinafter referred to as the Principal Act.

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Division of Act.

2. This Act is divided into Parts as follows:

PART I.—Preliminary—ss. 1, 2.

PART II.—Housing Extension—s. 3.

PART III.—AMENDMENT OF PRINCIPAL ss. 4-10.

PART II.

HOUSING EXTENSION.

New Part II of Principal Act.

3. The following new Part is added at the end of the Principal Act:—

PART II.

ADVANCES FOR DWELLING HOUSES.

Applications for advances.

The making applications.

- 24. Any person may make application to the Housing Board as prescribed:—
- (a) That the board may make advances of money to him or on his behalf for the purpose of enabling him to erect or add to on land owned by him in fee a dwellinghouse as a home for himself or his family, or that the board may erect the dwellinghouse for him on such land.
 - (b) That the board may make advances to him or on his behalf to enable him to purchase a dwelling-house as aforesaid.

25. The applicant must prove to the satisfaction of the board—

- (a) that he is of the age of twenty-one years;
- (b) that his yearly income does not exceed four hundred pounds;

Things to be proved by applicant.

(c)

(c) that the house is for the use of himself and his family, and not otherwise; and

(d) that he is not the owner of any land or dwelling-house in the State other than that in respect of which the application is made, exceeding in value two hundred and fifty pounds.

26. (1) The Minister may, on the recommenda- The granting tion of the board, either grant the application subject of the to such conditions (if any) as he thinks fit, or may application. refuse it.

(2) In granting an application the Minister Amount to be shall state the amount to be advanced or to be expended or expended in erecting the dwelling-house. Such amount shall not exceed one thousand pounds, exclusive of any prescribed fees.

(3) Where it is proposed to erect the dwelling- How work of house the board shall state whether the work will done. be done by contract or day labour, or partly in one

way and partly in another.

(4) The board may, subject to this Act, make Fees. regulations prescribing fees, and such fees shall in each case be added to the amount advanced or expended as aforesaid.

27. (1) Where an application under paragraph (a) Agreement to of section twenty-four is granted, the applicant into shall enter into such agreement and pay such fee as

may be prescribed.

(2) Before any advances are made or any Preliminary money is expended by the board under the said applicant by paragraph the applicant shall pay to the board five per centum of the amount proposed to be advanced or expended. The amount so paid shall be taken into account in the final repayment by the applicant, and in the meantime shall be retained by the board to answer the due performance by the applicant of the conditions imposed under this Part:

Provided that in lieu of such payment the board

may accept from the applicant security therefor.

28. Before an application under paragraph (b) of Application section twenty-four is granted the board shall, after house. taking

taking expert advice, determine what in its opinion is the value of the property proposed to be purchased, and the amount to be advanced by the board shall not exceed ninety-five per centum of the amount of the said value or of the purchase price, whichever of such amounts is the smaller.

Where money advanced not applied to proper purpose.

Act No. 13, 1913, s. 9.

29. If at any time in the opinion of the board any money advanced under this Part has not been applied to the purpose for which it was advanced, or has not been carefully and economically expended, the board may refuse to pay any further instalments of the proposed advance, and may at once call in the whole amount already advanced, together with costs and expenses incurred in connection therewith, whereupon the borrower shall forthwith repay the same.

Periods for repayment.

Periods for repayment. *Ibid.* s. 6.

30. The maximum periods for repayment by instalments of advances and money expended by the board under this Part shall be for brick, concrete, or stone buildings thirty years, and for wooden buildings twenty years.

Security for advance.

Security for advance.

31. (1) Every applicant shall give security to the satisfaction of the board for any moneys so advanced.

(2) Where an advance is secured by a mortgage of land, such mortgage shall, interalia, contain covenants for keeping the mortgaged premises in repair and insured in the name of the board; and

such mortgage shall be registered.

32. The board by regulations may prescribe the form of mortgage-deeds under this Part, and short forms of provisions to be inserted in such deeds, and may state the legal effect of such short forms when so inserted, which thereupon shall have the force of law: Provided that where the land, the subject of the mortgage, is under the Real Property Act, 1900, such forms shall not be inconsistent with

the forms prescribed by or under the said Act.

Forms of mortgagedeeds. Act No. 48, 1906, s. 73.

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33. The following conditions shall apply in respect Conditions of land subject to any mortgage under this Part: - annexed to land whilst

(a) Such land shall not, nor shall any part subject to thereof, be transferred, assigned, or let mortgage.
Act No. 48, without the previous consent in writing 1906, s. 70. of the board.

(b) Any transfer, assignment, or letting of such land, or any part thereof, in contravention of this section, shall be void, and the board may cause the estate of the owner in such land to be sold.

(c) Where the owner of any such land becomes bankrupt, the board may cause his estate

therein to be sold.

34. If any amount of principal or interest due in Application respect of any advance made or money expended for foreclosure. under this Part, on the security by mortgage of Ibid. s. 71. land not held under the provisions of the Real Property Act, 1900, is unpaid for a period of three months after the due date thereof, the board may, at its option, in lieu of taking proceedings in any court, make application to the Registrar-General in writing for an order for foreclosure.

Such application shall state that such default has been made as aforesaid, and that the land, estate, or interest mortgaged has been offered for sale by public auction by a licensed auctioneer, and that the amount of the highest bid at such sale was not sufficient to satisfy the moneys so due, together with the expenses occasioned by such sale, and that notice in writing of the intention of the board to make such application has been given to the mortgagor or other person entitled to the equity of redemption, by leaving the same at his usual or last known place of abode, if such place be within three miles of the office of the board, or by forwarding the same by registered letter through the post office if such place be beyond that distance. Such application shall be accompanied by a certificate of the auctioneer by whom such land was put up for sale or of some person present when the land

was put up for sale and such other proof of the matters stated therein as the Registrar-General may require. The statements made in such application shall be verified by the statutory declaration of one of the members of the board.

The Registrar-General may, at the expense of the board, cause notice to be published, once in the Gazette and once in each of the three succeeding weeks in at least one newspaper circulating in the district in which the mortgaged land is situated, offering such land for sale, and shall limit and appoint a time not less than one month from the date of the publication in the Gazette, upon or after which the Registrar-General may issue to the board an order for foreclosure unless in the interval a sufficient amount has been realised by the sale of the land to satisfy the principal and interest moneys due and all expenses occasioned by such sale and proceedings.

Every such order for foreclosure under the hand of the Registrar-General shall, upon registration under the Registration of Deeds Act, 1897, have the effect of barring all right and equity of redemption in the said land on the part of the mortgagor or of any person claiming through or

under him.

35. Where land is sold by the board for non-payment of principal or interest of money advanced or expended under this Part or for breach of any covenant in the instrument of mortgage securing the same, the land shall be freed from any charge in respect of any indebtedness under the instrument of mortgage or any restriction imposed by this Act.

Restrictions on the sale, &c., of dwelling-houses and land.

36. Where the board has erected a dwelling-house for, or has sold a dwelling-house to, any person, or has made advances to any person for the purpose

Sale of land on default of mortgagor. Act No. 48, 1906, s. 72.

Restrictions on dealings with dwellinghouse and land.

purpose of erecting or purchasing a dwelling-house, such person shall not, before the expiration of seven years from the date of such erection, sale or purchase, sell, mortgage, or lease such dwellinghouse or any land occupied therewith without the permission in writing of the board.

Expenditure and receipts.

- 37. (1) All expenditure by the board under this Charging of Part shall be made out of the Housing Fund. All receipts and moneys received by the board under this Part shall of board, be paid into the Housing Fund.
- (2) A statement showing the moneys received and expended by the board under this Part shall be prepared and laid before Parliament in the time and manner directed by section twenty-one of the Principal Act.

Assistance to benefit building societies.

38. The Minister may, subject to and for the Power to purposes of this Act, assist building societies, whose assist building societies include the execution or previous of handling societies objects include the erection or provision of houses by loans, &c. for its members, by—

cf. Imperial

(a) making grants or loans to the society:

Housing, Town Planning, &c.,

- (b) subscribing for any share or loan capital of Act, 1919, the society; and
- (c) guaranteeing or joining in guaranteeing the payment of interest on money borrowed by the society, or of any share or loan capital issued by the society.

on such terms and conditions as to rate of interest and repayment or otherwise, and on such security as the Minister may think fit.

Assistance to councils of municipalities and shires.

39. The Minister may, subject to and for the Minister may assist councils of purposes of this Act and subject to the provisions shires and subject to the provisions of the state of the provisions of the state of t

of the Local Government Act, 1919, assist the councils of shires and municipalities to erect houses, by—

- (1) making grants or loans to such councils; and and
 - (2) guaranteeing or joining in guaranteeing the payment of interest on moneys borrowed by such councils for such purpose,

on such terms and conditions as to rate of interest and repayment or otherwise, and on such security as the Minister may think fit.

Power to borrow and enter into financial but of the land of

40. The Minister may, subject to and for the purposes of this Act, and with the approval of the Governor,-

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- (1) arrange with any bank, institution, or person for financial accommodation; and
- guarantee the repayment of advances made by any bank, institution, or person to applicants for the erection or purchase of houses under this Act.

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PART III.

AMENDMENT OF PRINCIPAL ACT

4. Section two of the Principal Act is amended by Amendment inserting at the end thereof the following definition: of s. 2.

"Prescribed" means prescribed by this Act or by

any regulation thereunder.

5. The Principal Act is amended by inserting after Amendment section two the words and figure "Part I, Building and Act, Part I. DISPOSAL OF DWELLING-HOUSES."

6. (1) Section four of the Principal Act is amended Amendment by omitting the proviso thereto, and substituting the

following:-

"Provided that sections thirty-four, thirty-five, thirty-six, and thirty-seven of the Public Works Act, 1912, shall not apply in respect of the expenditure on any buildings erected or works constructed in pursuance of this Act, but section thirty-eight shall apply."

(2) The above amendment shall be deemed to have been made at the commencement of the Principal Act.

7. The following section is inserted next after section New sec. 4A. four of the Principal Act:-

4A. No purchase or resumption of land under Purchase or this Act, the value of which exceeds twenty thou-resumption not to exceed sand pounds, shall be made unless first approved £20,000. by resolution of both Houses of Parliament.

8. The following section is inserted next after section New sec. 4B.

4A of the Principal Act:

4B. Any purchase or resumption of land under Payment of this Act shall be paid for in cash, or with the con-purchase-money or currence of the owner, vendor, or mortgagee, by compensation. inscribed stock or Treasury bills.

9. Section eight of the Principal Act is amended as Amendment follows :-

(a) Omit "for residential, building, or other purposes for any term not exceeding seven years" and insert in lieu thereof "for residential purposes for any term not exceeding seven years, and for any other purpose for any term not exceeding fifteen years."

Amendment of s. 16. Charges

against fund.

Statements to be laid

Parliament.

before

Housing (Extension).

(b) In paragraph three of the second proviso omit "ascertained by valuation through the Commissioners of the Government Savings Bank" and insert in lieu thereof "as determined by the board and approved by the Minister."

(c) The following new paragraph is inserted at the end of the second proviso:-

(5) The maximum periods for the payment of purchase-money by instalments shall be for brick, concrete, or stone buildings thirty years, and for wooden buildings twenty years.

10. Paragraph (a) of subsection one of section sixteen of the Principal Act is amended by inserting the following at the end of the said paragraph:-

In the case of any land so appropriated such value shall be charged only as and when such land is used for the purposes of this Act.

11. Section twenty-one of the Principal Act is amended as follows:--

(a) by inserting after paragraph (c) the following new paragraphs:-

(c i) The number of buildings sold and the selling prices of the same; (c ii) The area of lands resumed;

(b) by inserting after paragraph (e) the following new paragraph:

(f) and such other matters as are necessary for the survey of the board's work for the year.

By Authority:

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I certify that this Public Bill, which originated in the Legislative Assembly, has finally passed the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales.

W. S. MOWLE, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 5 December, 1919.

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BE it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

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I have examined this Bill, and find it to correspond in all respects with the Bill as finally passed by both Houses.

P. B. COLQUHOUN, Chairman of Committees of the Legislative Assembly.

PART I.

PRELIMINARY.

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the "Housing (Extension) Act, 1919."

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Division of Act. 2. This Act is divided into Parts as follows:—

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Housing Extension.

New Part II of Principal Act. 3. The following new Part is added at the end of the Principal Act:—

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Applications for advances.

The making of applications.

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Housing Board as prescribed:—

- (a) That the board may make advances of money to him or on his behalf for the purpose of enabling him to erect or add to on land owned by him in fee a dwelling-house as a home for himself or his family, or that the board may erect the dwelling-house for him on such land.
- (b) That the board may make advances to him or on his behalf to enable him to purchase a dwelling-house as aforesaid.

Things to be proved by applicant.

- 25. The applicant must prove to the satisfaction of the board—
 - (a) that he is of the age of twenty-one years;
 - (b) that his yearly income does not exceed four hundred pounds; (c)

(c) that the house is for the use of himself and his family, and not otherwise; and

- (d) that he is not the owner of any land or dwelling-house in the State other than that in respect of which the application is made, exceeding in value two hundred and fifty pounds.
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Provided that in lieu of such payment the board may accept from the applicant security therefor.

28. Before an application under paragraph (b) of Application section twenty-four is granted the board shall, after to purchase taking

taking expert advice, determine what in its opinion is the value of the property proposed to be purchased, and the amount to be advanced by the board shall not exceed ninety-five per centum of the amount of the said value or of the purchase price, whichever of such amounts is the smaller.

Where money advanced not applied to proper purpose.

Act No. 13, 1913, s. 9.

29. If at any time in the opinion of the board any money advanced under this Part has not been applied to the purpose for which it was advanced, or has not been carefully and economically expended, the board may refuse to pay any further instalments of the proposed advance, and may at once call in the whole amount already advanced, together with costs and expenses incurred in connection therewith, whereupon the borrower shall forthwith repay the same.

Periods for repayment.

Periods for repayment. Act No. 13, 1913, s. 6. 30. The maximum periods for repayment by instalments of advances and money expended by the board under this Part shall be for brick, concrete, or stone buildings thirty years, and for wooden buildings twenty years.

Security for advance.

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- 31. (1) Every applicant shall give security to the satisfaction of the board for any moneys so advanced.
- (2) Where an advance is secured by a mortgage of land, such mortgage shall, interalia, contain covenants for keeping the mortgaged premises in repair and insured in the name of the board; and such mortgage shall be registered.

Forms of mortgagedeeds. Act No. 48, 1906, s. 73. 32. The board by regulations may prescribe the form of mortgage-deeds under this Part, and short forms of provisions to be inserted in such deeds, and may state the legal effect of such short forms when so inserted, which thereupon shall have the force of law: Provided that where the land, the subject of the mortgage, is under the Real Property Act, 1900, such forms shall not be inconsistent with the forms prescribed by or under the said Act.

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33. The following conditions shall apply in respect Conditions of land subject to any mortgage under this Part:— annexed to land whilst

(a) Such land shall not, nor shall any part subject to thereof, be transferred, assigned, or let mortgage.

Act No. 48, without the previous consent in writing 1906, s. 70. of the board.

(b) Any transfer, assignment, or letting of such land, or any part thereof, in contravention of this section, shall be void, and the board may cause the estate of the owner in such land to be sold.

(c) Where the owner of any such land becomes bankrupt, the board may cause his estate

therein to be sold.

34. If any amount of principal or interest due in Application respect of any advance made or money expended for foreclosure. under this Part, on the security by mortgage of Itid. s. 71. land not held under the provisions of the Real Property Act, 1900, is unpaid for a period of three months after the due date thereof, the board may, at its option, in lieu of taking proceedings in any court, make application to the Registrar-General

in writing for an order for foreclosure.

Such application shall state that such default has been made as aforesaid, and that the land, estate, or interest mortgaged has been offered for sale by public auction by a licensed auctioneer, and that the amount of the highest bid at such sale was not sufficient to satisfy the moneys so due, together with the expenses occasioned by such sale, and that notice in writing of the intention of the board to make such application has been given to the mortgagor or other person entitled to the equity of redemption, by leaving the same at his usual or last known place of abode, if such place be within three miles of the office of the board, or by forwarding the same by registered letter through the post office if such place be beyond that distance. Such application shall be accompanied by a certificate of the auctioneer by whom such land was put up for sale or of some person present when the land

was put up for sale and such other proof of the matters stated therein as the Registrar-General may require. The statements made in such application shall be verified by the statutory declaration of one of the members of the board.

The Registrar-General may, at the expense of the board, cause notice to be published, once in the Gazette and once in each of the three succeeding weeks in at least one newspaper circulating in the district in which the mortgaged land is situated, offering such land for sale, and shall limit and appoint a time not less than one month from the date of the publication in the Gazette, upon or after which the Registrar-General may issue to the board an order for foreclosure unless in the interval a sufficient amount has been realised by the sale of the land to satisfy the principal and interest moneys due and all expenses occasioned by such sale and proceedings.

Every such order for foreclosure under the hand of the Registrar-General shall, upon registration under the Registration of Deeds Act, 1897, have the effect of barring all right and equity of redemption in the said land on the part of the mortgagor or of any person claiming through or under him.

35. Where land is sold by the board for non-payment of principal or interest of money advanced or expended under this Part or for breach of any covenant in the instrument of mortgage securing the same, the land shall be freed from any charge in respect of any indebtedness under the instrument of mortgage or any restriction imposed by this Act.

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Restrictions on dealings with dwellinghouse and land.

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Expenditure and receipts.

37. (1) All expenditure by the board under this Charging of Part shall be made out of the Housing Fund. All receipts and moneys received by the board under this Part shall of board. be paid into the Housing Fund.

(2) A statement showing the moneys received and expended by the board under this Part shall be prepared and laid before Parliament in the time and manner directed by section twenty-one of the Principal Act.

Assistance to benefit building societies.

38. The Minister may, subject to and for the Power to purposes of this Act, assist building societies, whose assist building societies, whose ing societies objects include the erection or provision of houses by loans, &c. for its members, by—

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Planning, &c.,

- (a) making grants or loans to the society;
- (b) subscribing for any share or loan capital of Act, 1919, s. 18. the society; and
- (c) guaranteeing or joining in guaranteeing the payment of interest on money borrowed by the society, or of any share or loan capital issued by the society,

on such terms and conditions as to rate of interest and repayment or otherwise, and on such security as the Minister may think fit.

Assistance to councils of municipalities and shires.

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on such terms and conditions as to rate of interest and repayment or otherwise, and on such security as the Minister may think fit.

Power to borrow and enter into financial arrangements.

40. The Minister may, subject to and for the purposes of this Act, and with the approval of the Governor,—

- (1) arrange with any bank, institution, or person for financial accommodation; and
- (2) guarantee the repayment of advances made by any bank, institution, or person to applicants for the erection or purchase of houses under this Act.

Minister may arrange with any bank, &c., for financial accommodation.

PART III.

AMENDMENT OF PRINCIPAL ACT.

4. Section two of the Principal Act is amended by Amendment inserting at the end thereof the following definition: of s. 2.

"Prescribed" means prescribed by this Act or by

any regulation thereunder.

5. The Principal Act is amended by inserting after Amendment section two the words and figure "Part I, Building and of Principal Act, Part I. DISPOSAL OF DWELLING-HOUSES."

6. (1) Section four of the Principal Act is amended Amendment by omitting the proviso thereto, and substituting the of s. 4.

following :-

"Provided that sections thirty-four, thirty-five, thirty-six, and thirty-seven of the Public Works Act, 1912, shall not apply in respect of the expenditure on any buildings erected or works constructed in pursuance of this Act, but section thirty-eight shall apply."

(2) The above amendment shall be deemed to have been made at the commencement of the Principal Act.

7. The following section is inserted next after section New sec. 4A.

four of the Principal Act:—

4A. No purchase or resumption of land under Purchase or this Act, the value of which exceeds twenty thou-resumption sand pounds, shall be made unless first approved £20,000. by resolution of both Houses of Parliament.

8. The following section is inserted next after section New sec. 4B.

4A of the Principal Act:

4B. Any purchase or resumption of land under Payment of this Act shall be paid for in cash, or with the con- purchasecurrence of the owner, vendor, or mortgagee, by compensation. inscribed stock or Treasury bills.

9. Section eight of the Principal Act is amended as Amendment follows:

(a) Omit "for residential, building, or other purposes for any term not exceeding seven years" and insert in lieu thereof "for residential purposes for any term not exceeding seven years, and for any other purpose for any term not exceeding fifteen years."

(b)

(b) In paragraph three of the second proviso omit "ascertained by valuation through the Commissioners of the Government Savings Bank" and insert in lieu thereof "as determined by the board and approved by the Minister."

(c) The following new paragraph is inserted at

the end of the second proviso:-

(5) The maximum periods for the payment of purchase-money by instalments shall be for brick, concrete, or stone buildings thirty years, and for wooden buildings twenty years.

Amendment of s. 16. Charges against fund. 10. Paragraph (a) of subsection one of section sixteen of the Principal Act is amended by inserting the following at the end of the said paragraph:—

In the case of any land so appropriated such value shall be charged only as and when such land

is used for the purposes of this Act.

Statements to be laid before Parliament.

11. Section twenty-one of the Principal Act is amended as follows:—

(a) by inserting after paragraph (c) the following new paragraphs:—

(c i) The number of buildings sold and the selling prices of the same;

(c ii) The area of lands resumed;

(b) by inserting after paragraph (e) the following

new paragraph:-

(f) and such other matters as are necessary for the survey of the board's work for the year.

In the name and on behalf of His Majesty I assent to this Act.

W. E. DAVIDSON,

Government House, Governor. Sydney, 16th December, 1919.

This Public Bill originated in the Legislative Assembly, and, having this day passed, is now ready for presentation to the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL for its concurrence.

> W. S. MOWLE, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 4 December, 1919.

New South Wales.



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Act No. , 1919.

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BE it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of 5 the same, as follows:— 355-A 62419

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PART I.

PRELIMINARY.

- 1. This Act may be cited as the "Housing (Extension) Short title. Act, 1919."
- 5 It shall be construed with the Housing Act, 1912, hereinafter referred to as the Principal Act.
 - 2. This Act is divided into Parts as follows:— Division of Act.

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- (a) that he is of the age of twenty-one years;
- (b) that his yearly income does not exceed four hundred pounds; (c)

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(c) that the house is for the use of himself and his family, and not otherwise; and

(d) that he is not the owner of any land or dwelling-house in the State other than that in respect of which the application is made, exceeding in value two hundred and fifty pounds.

26. (1) The Minister may, on the recommenda-The granting tion of the board, either grant the application subject or refusing to such conditions (if any) as he thinks fit, or may application. refuse it.

(2) In granting an application the Minister Amount to be shall state the amount to be advanced or to be expended or expended in erecting the dwelling-house. Such amount shall not exceed one thousand pounds, exclusive of any prescribed fees.

(3) Where it is proposed to erect the dwelling- How work of house the board shall state whether the work will done. be done by contract or day labour, or partly in one way and partly in another.

(4) The board may, subject to this Act, make Fees. regulations prescribing fees, and such fees shall in each case be added to the amount advanced or expended as aforesaid.

27. (1) Where an application under paragraph (a) Agreement to of section twenty-four is granted, the applicant into shall enter into such agreement and pay such fee as may be prescribed.

(2) Before any advances are made or any Preliminary money is expended by the board under the said applicant by paragraph the applicant shall pay to the board five per centum of the amount proposed to be advanced or expended. The amount so paid shall be taken into account in the final repayment by the applicant, and in the meantime shall be retained by the board to answer the due performance by the applicant of the conditions imposed under this Part:

Provided that in lieu of such payment the board may accept from the applicant security therefor.

28. Before an application under paragraph (b) of Application section twenty-four is granted the board shall, after house.

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taking expert advice, determine what in its opinion is the value of the property proposed to be purchased, and the amount to be advanced by the board shall not exceed ninety-five per centum of the amount of the said value or of the purchase price, whichever of such amounts is the smaller.

29. If at any time in the opinion of the board where money any money advanced under this Part has not been advanced not applied to the purpose for which it was advanced, proper or has not been carefully and economically expended, have not been carefully and economically expended, have not been carefully and economically expended, have not have been carefully and economically expended, have not ha

Periods for repayment.

30. The maximum periods for repayment by Periods for instalments of advances and money expended by repayment. the board under this Part shall be for brick, concrete, Act No. 13, or stone buildings thirty years, and for wooden buildings twenty years.

Security for advance.

- 31. (1) Every applicant shall give security to security for the satisfaction of the board for any moneys so advance, advanced.
 - (2) Where an advance is secured by a mortgage of land, such mortgage shall, inter alia, contain covenants for keeping the mortgaged premises in repair and insured in the name of the board; and such mortgage shall be registered.

32. The board by regulations may prescribe the Forms of form of mortgage-deeds under this Part, and short deeds. forms of provisions to be inserted in such deeds, Act No. 48, and may state the legal effect of such short forms 1906, s. 73. when so inserted, which thereupon shall have the force of law: Provided that where the land, the subject of the mortgage, is under the Real Property Act, 1900, such forms shall not be inconsistent with the forms prescribed by or under the said Act.

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33. The following conditions shall apply in respect Conditions of land subject to any mortgage under this Part:— land whilst

(a) Such land shall not, nor shall any part subject to thereof, be transferred, assigned, or let without the previous consent in writing 1906, s. 70. of the board.

(b) Any transfer, assignment, or letting of such land, or any part thereof, in contravention of this section, shall be void, and the board may cause the estate of the owner in such land to be sold.

(c) Where the owner of any such land becomes bankrupt, the board may cause his estate therein to be sold.

34. If any amount of principal or interest due in Application respect of any advance made or money expended for toreclosure, under this Part, on the security by mortgage of *Ibid. s.* 71. land not held under the provisions of the Real Property Act, 1900, is unpaid for a period of three months after the due date thereof, the board may,

at its option, in lieu of taking proceedings in any

court, make application to the Registrar-General in writing for an order for foreclosure.

Such application shall state that such default has been made as aforesaid, and that the land, estate, or interest mortgaged has been offered for sale by public auction by a licensed auctioneer, and that the amount of the highest bid at such sale was not sufficient to satisfy the moneys so due, together with the expenses occasioned by such sale, and that notice in writing of the intention of the board to make such application has been given to the mortgagor or other person entitled to the equity of redemption, by leaving the same at his usual or last known place of abode, if such place be within three miles of the office of the board, or by forwarding the same by registered letter through the post office if such place be beyond that distance. Such application shall be accompanied by a certificate of the auctioneer by whom such land was put up for sale or of some person present when the land

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was put up for sale and such other proof of the matters stated therein as the Registrar-General may require. The statements made in such application shall be verified by the statutory declaration of one of the members of the board.

The Registrar-General may, at the expense of the board, cause notice to be published, once in the Gazette and once in each of the three succeeding weeks in at least one newspaper circulating in the district in which the mortgaged land is situated, offering such land for sale, and shall limit and appoint a time not less than one month from the date of the publication in the Gazette, upon or after which the Registrar-General may issue to the board an order for foreclosure unless in the interval a sufficient amount has been realised by the sale of the land to satisfy the principal and interest moneys due and all expenses occasioned by such sale and proceedings.

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20 Every such order for foreclosure under the hand of the Registrar-General shall, upon registration under the Registration of Deeds Act, 1897, have the effect of barring all right and equity of redemption in the said land on the part of the 25 mortgagor or of any person claiming through or under him.

> 35. Where land is sold by the board for non-Sale of land payment of principal or interest of money advanced on default of mortgagor. or expended under this Part or for breach of any Act No. 48, covenant in the instrument of mortgage securing 1906, s. 72. the same, the land shall be freed from any charge in respect of any indebtedness under the instrument of mortgage or any restriction imposed by this Act.

35 Restrictions on the sale, &c., of dwelling-houses and land.

36. Where the board has erected a dwelling-Restrictions house for, or has sold a dwelling-house to, any on dealings with person, or has made advances to any person for the dwelling-house and purpose

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purpose of erecting or purchasing a dwelling-house, such person shall not, before the expiration of seven years from the date of such erection, sale or purchase, sell, mortgage, or lease such dwellinghouse or any land occupied therewith without the permission in writing of the board.

Expenditure and receipts.

- 37. (1) All expenditure by the board under this Charging of Part shall be made out of the Housing Fund. All receipts and moneys received by the board under this Part shall of board. be paid into the Housing Fund.
- (2) A statement showing the moneys received and expended by the board under this Part shall be prepared and laid before Parliament in the time and manner directed by section twenty-one of the 15 Principal Act.

Assistance to benefit building societies.

38. The Minister may, subject to and for the Power to purposes of this Act, assist building societies, whose ing societies objects include the erection or provision of houses by loans, &c. 20 for its members, by—

(a) making grants or loans to the society;

(b) subscribing for any share or loan capital of Act, 1919, the society; and

(c) guaranteeing or joining in guaranteeing the payment of interest on money borrowed by the society, or of any share or loan capital issued by the society,

on such terms and conditions as to rate of interest and repayment or otherwise, and on such security as the Minister may think fit.

Assistance to councils of municipalities and shires.

39. The Minister may, subject to and for the Minister may assist councils of purposes of this Act and subject to the provisions shires and municipalities to erect houses of

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of the Local Government Act, 1919, assist the councils of shires and municipalities to erect houses, by—

- (1) making grants or loans to such councils;
- (2) guaranteeing or joining in guaranteeing the payment of interest on moneys borrowed by such councils for such purpose,
- on such terms and conditions as to rate of interest and repayment or otherwise, and on such security as the Minister may think fit.

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Power to borrow and enter into financial arrangements.

- 40. The Minister may, subject to and for the Minister may purposes of this Act, and with the approval of the arrange with any bank, &c., for
 - (1) arrange with any bank, institution, or financial accommodation; and dation.
 - (2) guarantee the repayment of advances made by any bank, institution, or person to applicants for the erection or purchase of houses under this Act.

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PART III.

AMENDMENT OF PRINCIPAL ACT.

4. Section two of the Principal Act is amended by Amendment inserting at the end thereof the following definition:— of s. 2.

"Prescribed" means prescribed by this Act or by any regulation thereunder.

5. The Principal Act is amended by inserting after Amendment section two the words and figure "Part I, Building and Act, Part I. DISPOSAL OF DWELLING-HOUSES."

by omitting the proviso thereto, and substituting the following:—

Amendment of s. 4.

"Provided that sections thirty-four, thirty-five, thirty-six, and thirty-seven of the Public Works Act, 1912, shall not apply in respect of the

expenditure on any buildings erected or works constructed in pursuance of this Act, but section thirty-eight shall apply."

(2) The above amendment shall be deemed to have 20 been made at the commencement of the Principal Act.

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7. The following section is inserted next after section New sec. 4A. four of the Principal Act:—

4A. No purchase or resumption of land under Purchase or this Act, the value of which exceeds twenty thou-resumption not to exceed sand pounds, shall be made unless first approved £20,000. by resolution of both Houses of Parliament.

8. The following section is inserted next after section New sec. 4B. 4A of the Principal Act:—

4B. Any purchase or resumption of land under Payment of this Act shall be paid for in cash, or with the con-money or currence of the owner, vendor, or mortgagee, by compensation.

9. Section eight of the Principal Act is amended as Amendment of s. 8.

(a) Omit "for residential, building, or other purposes for any term not exceeding seven years" and insert in lieu thereof "for residential purposes for any term not exceeding seven years, and for any other purpose for any term not exceeding fifteen years."

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(b) In paragraph three of the second proviso omit "ascertained by valuation through the Commissioners of the Government Savings Bank" and insert in lieu thereof "as determined by the board and approved by the Minister."

(c) The following new paragraph is inserted at the end of the second proviso:—

(5) The maximum periods for the payment of purchase-money by instalments shall be for brick, concrete, or stone buildings thirty years, and for wooden buildings twenty years.

10. Paragraph (a) of subsection one of section Amendment sixteen of the Principal Act is amended by inserting the of s. 16. Charges against fund.

In the case of any land so appropriated such value shall be charged only as and when such land is used for the purposes of this Act.

11. Section twenty-one of the Principal Act is Statements amended as follows:—

20 (a) by inserting after paragraph (c) the following Parliament.

(a) by inserting after paragraph (c) the following Parliament. new paragraphs:—

(c i) The number of buildings sold and the selling prices of the same;

(c ii) The area of lands resumed;

(b) by inserting after paragraph (e) the following new paragraph:—

(f) and such other matters as are necessary for the survey of the board's work for the year.

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