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, 19 October, 1917.

New South Wales.



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GEORGII V REGIS.

Act No. , 1917.

An Act to amend and extend the provisions of the Western Lands Act of 1901, and the Western Lands (Amendment) Act of 1905; and for other purposes.

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 :--

1. This Act may be cited as the "Western Lands Short title. (Amendment) Act, 1917," and shall be read with and form part of the Western Lands Act of 1901, and the Western Lands (Amendment) Act of 1905.

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Surrender

Act No. , 1917.

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Surrender and subdivision of leases.

2. The owner, with the consent of the mortgagee, if Surrender of any, of any lease under the Western Lands Acts expressed to be issued for Pastoral Purposes in regard to 5 which the right of withdrawal under section seventeen of the Western Lands Act of 1901 has been exercised may apply as prescribed to surrender such lease to the Governor.

3. Upon the acceptance of any such surrender the ubdivision 10 land comprised in the said lease may be subdivided into ^{of lease}.

portions in such form and in such areas as the Minister on the recommendation of the Commissioners may

approve.

4. The Governor may grant a lease of the land com- Leases of 15 prised in any such portion to such person as may be ^{subdivided} nominated in that behalf by the owner as aforesaid, and the term of every such lease shall be for the unexpired period of the term of the surrendered lease.

5. The commissioners shall determine the rental to Determina-20 be paid in respect of each such portion : Provided that tion of rentals. except where any such portion is leased under section eight of this Act the aggregate of such rentals shall amount to the rent that would be payable if the lease had not been surrendered.

25 6. (1) Every such lease granted as aforesaid shall be Conditions subject to the conditions contained in the lease which of leases. has been surrendered.

(2) The Governor shall have the right to reserve a road out of the land leased of a width not exceeding 30 ten chains for the use of travelling stock.

7. The lessee of any such portion as aforesaid shall Tenant-right. in respect of the improvements on the land at the date of commencement of the lease be entitled to tenantright only in such improvements as the holder of the 35 surrendered lease would be entitled to tenant-right in.

8. The Governor may under section four of this Special Act grant special leases of any such portions as are leases, intended to be used for any purpose other than grazing. Such leases shall be subject to such conditions as the 40 Minister upon the recommendation of the commissioners may 2

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may determine, but shall not be subject to subsection one of section six of this Act: The rentals of such leases shall be determined by the commissioners, and shall not be subject to the provisions of section nineteen of the 5 Western Lands Act of 1901.

Withdrawal of land from lease.

9. The Governor may withdraw the whole or any Power to part of the land comprised in any Western lands lease in withdraw any case in which in his opinion such land is required

10 for the purpose of settlement and upon publication in the Gazette of such withdrawal the lessee shall be entitled to such compensation in respect of the land so withdrawn for the unexpired term of such lease and for the improvements upon the land so withdrawn as may 15 be determined by the commissioners.

10. The Minister or the lessee if dissatisfied with Appeal. the determination of the commissioners may appeal as prescribed, and such appeal shall be heard by a district court judge appointed for the purpose by the Governor.

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Miscellaneous.

11. Section thirty-four of the Western Lands Act Amendment (Amendment) Act of 1905 is amended by inserting after of s. 34 of W.L. Act, the words "Crown Lands Acts" the following words: 1905. "or any land comprised in a reserve from lease or 25 license which has been revoked", and after the words

"surrendered lands" the words "or such revoked reserves".

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