HOUSING (FURTHER PROVISIONS) BILL.

Schedule of the Amendments referred to in Message of 15th December, 1937.

No. 1.—Page 9, clause 3, line 39. Omit "a" insert "any"

No. 2.—Page 10, clause 4. After line 40 insert—

(iv) by omitting from the same subsection after the word "order" the word "may" and by inserting in lieu thereof the word "shall"

No. 3.—Page 11, clause 4. After line 12 insert new subparagraph as follows:—

(iii) by omitting from subsection one of section sixty-three the word "section" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "sections fifty-eight or"

No. 4.—Page 13, clause 6, line 23. Omit "(6)" insert "(7)"

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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. R. McCOURT,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 10 December, 1937, A.M.

The LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL has this day agreed to this Bill with Amendments.

C. H. H. CALVERT, Clerk of the Parliaments.

Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 15th December, 1937.

New South Wales.



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Act No. , 1937.

An Act to make further provisions in relation to housing; to validate certain matters; to amend the Housing Improvement Act, 1936, the Government Guarantees Act, 1934, the Co-operation Act, 1923–1936, the Housing of the Unemployed Act, 1934–1936, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

DE 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:—

PART I.

PRELIMINARY.

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the "Housing short title. (Further Provisions) Act, 1937."

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- (2) This Act is divided into Parts as follows:—
- PART I.—PRELIMINARY.
- PART II.—AMENDMENT OF HOUSING IMPROVEMENT ACT, 1936, AND CERTAIN OTHER ACTS.
- 5 PART III.—AMENDMENT OF GOVERNMENT GUARAN-TEES ACT, 1934.
 - PART IV.—Amendment of Co-operation Act, 1923-1936.
- PART V.—Amendment of Housing of the Unemployed Act, 1934-1936.

SCHEDULE.

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PART II.

Amendment of Housing Improvement Act, 1936, and Certain other Acts.

- 2. The Housing Improvement Act, 1936, as amended citation. by this Act, may be cited as the Housing Improvement Act, 1936-1937.
- 3. (1) The Housing Improvement Act, 1936, is Amendment of amended by inserting next after Part V the following Act No. 59, 1936.

 20 new Parts:—

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PART VA.

ERSKINEVILLE HOUSING SCHEME.

Division 1.—Construction of certain works.

- 25 described in the First Schedule to this Act of the work referred to in the Second Schedule to this Act is hereby sanctioned.
 - (b) The said work shall be deemed to be an authorised work within the meaning of the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts.

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- (c) The Housing Improvement Board is empowered to carry out the said work and shall be the constructing authority for the same within the meaning of the said Act as so amended and shall enter into such contracts and take all such necessary steps for the proper execution thereof as such authority may think proper.
- (d) The provisions of the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts, sections thirty-four, thirty-five, thirty-six and thirty-seven excepted, shall apply to and in respect of the said work.
- (2) Without prejudice to the generality of subsection one of this section the provisions of section thirty-eight of the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts, shall apply to and in respect of any contract referred to in paragraph (c) of subsection one of this section.
- 14B. (1) The cost of carrying out so much of the Cost. said work as is referred to in Part One of the Second Schedule to this Act (exclusive of land resumptions) is estimated at fifty-four thousand pounds.
 - (2) The cost of carrying out so much of the said work as is referred to in Part Two of the Second Schedule to this Act (exclusive of land resumptions) is estimated at fifteen thousand pounds.
 - (3) The cost of carrying out so much of the said work as is referred to in Part Three of the Second Schedule to this Act (exclusive of land resumptions) is estimated at five hundred pounds.
 - (4) The respective estimated costs referred to in this section shall not under any circumstances be exceeded by more than ten per centum.

Division 2.—Care, control and management of certain works.

14c. The board shall have the care, control and care, management of so much of the work referred to in management.

the Second Schedule to this Act as consists of dwellings and ancillary buildings and works constructed on the portion of land referred to in Part One of that Schedule.

14D. (1) For the purposes of carrying this Powers Division into effect the board may, from time to of the board. time and notwithstanding anything contained in any other Act, take such steps, provide such equipment, and carry out such works and operations (including works of maintenance and repair) as may be necessary or as it may think desirable.

(2) Without prejudice to the generality of subsection one of this section the board may let or may, with the approval of the Governor, sell or otherwise dispose of the land or any part thereof upon which any of the works referred to in section 14c of this Act are constructed.

Any such letting may be made at such rent

(whether the same is the best rent that can reasonably be obtained or not) and for such term and subject to such covenants and conditions as the board, in its absolute discretion, may from time to time determine.

- 14E. (1) Upon completion of the works referred Park lands. to in Part Two of the Second Schedule to this Act. the Governor shall notify in the Gazette that such works are complete.
- (2) On the date of the publication in the Gazette of any such notification—
 - (a) the land upon which the works referred to in the notification have been carried out shall become Crown land within the meaning of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act. 1913, as amended by subsequent Acts; and

(b) such land shall be deemed to be dedicated under the said Act as so amended for the purposes of public recreation; and

(c) the board shall have the care, control and management of such land and shall continue to have such care, control and management until

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until the Governor by proclamation in the Gazette, pursuant to section three hundred and forty-five of the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended by subsequent Acts, charges the council of the area with the care, control and management of such land.

(3) Where the board has the care, control and management of any land pursuant to this section—

- (a) the board shall have and may exercise and discharge, in relation to such land, all or any of the powers, authorities, duties and functions which may be exercised and discharged under the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended by subsequent Acts, by a council in relation to a public reserve, the care, control and management of which is placed in the council under Part XIII of the said Act as so amended;
- (b) the Governor may make regulations in relation to such land prescribing all such matters and things as may be prescribed by ordinance under the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended by subsequent Acts, in relation to a public reserve, the care, control and management of which is placed in a council under Part XIII of the said Act as so amended.

All regulations made under this subsection shall—

- (i) be published in the Gazette;
- (ii) take effect from the date of such publication or from a later date to be specified in the regulations; and

(iii) be laid before both Houses of Parliament within fourteen sitting days after the publication thereof if Parliament is in session, and if not, then within fourteen sitting days after the commencement of the next session.

If either House of Parliament passes a resolution of which notice has been given at any time within fifteen sittings days after such regulations have

been laid before such House disallowing any regulation or part thereof, such regulation or part shall thereupon cease to have effect.

14F. Where land is acquired by the board Exemption pursuant to this Part of this Act, no rate shall be from rates. made or levied under the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended by subsequent Acts, in respect of the land so acquired.

14g. On and from the day upon which that portion Rights, of the land described in the First Schedule to this liabilities and Act which is referred to in Part Three of the Second property. Schedule to this Act is acquired by the board the following provisions shall have effect:—

- (a) The body corporate known as The Trustees of Erskineville Park shall be and the same is hereby dissolved, and the persons who, immediately before the said day, were the members of such body corporate shall cease to hold office as such.
- (b) All property (other than the land so acquired) and all right and interest therein which, immediately before the said day, is vested in or belongs to The Trustees of Erskineville Park, shall vest in and belong to the board.

(c) All moneys, liquidated and unliquidated claims which, immediately before the said day, are payable to or recoverable by The Trustees of Erskineville Park, shall be moneys, liquidated and unliquidated claims payable to and recoverable by the board.

- (d) All suits, actions and proceedings pending immediately before the said day at the suit of The Trustees of Erskineville Park, shall be suits, actions and proceedings pending at the suit of the board.
- (e) The board may pursue the same remedies for the recovery of any such moneys and claims and for the prosecution of such suits, actions

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actions and proceedings as The Trustees of Erskineville Park might have done but for this Act.

- (f) The board may enforce and realise any security or charge existing immediately before the said day in favour of The Trustees of Erskineville Park in respect of any such moneys and claims as if such security or charge were existing in favour of the board.
- (g) All debts due and moneys payable by and all claims, liquidated and unliquidated, recoverable against The Trustees of Erskineville Park shall be debts due and moneys payable by and claims recoverable against the board:

Provided that the liability of the board in respect of such debts, moneys and claims shall be limited to the amount of the assets of The Trustees of Erskineville Park which are vested in or recovered by the board under this section.

PART VB.

FINANCE.

- 25 14H. (1) There shall be constituted an account in Housing Special Deposits Account to be called the "Housing Improvement Improvement Account."
 - (2) The account shall be applied for the purpose of the administration and execution of this Act and for no other purpose whatsoever.
 - 141. (1) There shall be paid to the credit of the Assets of account.
 - (a) all moneys advanced to the board by the Colonial Treasurer or provided by Parliament for the purposes of the board;
 - (b) all moneys received by the board from any other source.

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- (2) The account may be applied to any of Application of account. the following purposes:
 - (a) the administrative expenses of the board;
 - (b) the costs and expenses incurred in carrying out any of the powers, authorities, duties and functions conferred and imposed on the board by or under this Act;
 - (c) any purpose directed or authorised by cr under this Act for the application of the account.
- (3) The account shall be operated on in the manner prescribed.

14J. The board shall cause to be kept proper books Accounts. of account, and shall, as soon as practicable after the thirtieth day of June in each year, prepare and 15 transmit to the Minister for presentation to Parliament a statement of accounts in a form approved by the Auditor-General, exhibiting a true and correct view of the financial position and transactions of the board. 20

> 14k. The accounts of the board shall be audited Audit. by the Auditor-General, who shall have, in respect thereof, all the powers conferred on the Auditor-General by any law now or hereafter to be in force relating to the audit of public accounts; and the Audit Act, 1902, and Acts amending the same, shall apply to the board, the members of the board and the officers and employees of the board in the same manner as it applies to accounting officers of public departments.

(2) The Housing Improvement Act, 1936, is further surther amended by inserting after section sixteen the following of Act No. new Schedules :--

New Schedules,

FIRST SCHEDULE.

All that piece or parcel of land known as Erskineville Park, 35 parishes of Alexandria and Petersham, county of Cumberland, bounded by Mitchell-road, Ashmore-street, Binning-street, Swanson-street and Copeland-street.

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SECOND SCHEDULE.

The works respectively referred to in Part One, Part Two and Part Three of this Schedule are subject to such modifications as may be considered desirable by the Board.

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PART ONE.

The construction upon the north-western portion (comprising approximately four acres) of the land described in the First Schedule to this Act, of fifty-six dwellings (including the provision of equipment therefor) and of ancillary buildings and

PART Two.

The construction upon the eastern portion (comprising approximately eleven and one-half acres) of the land described in the First Schedule to this Act, of such works (including the provision of a sports ground) as may be necessary to render that portion suitable for use by the public for purposes of public recreation, convenience, health or enjoyment.

· PART THREE.

The construction upon that portion (comprising approximately 20 seven acres) of the land described in the First Schedule to this Act which is not comprised in the portions referred to in Part One and Part Two of this Schedule of such works as may be necessary to render that portion suitable for use by the public for purposes of public recreation, convenience, health or enjoy-25

(3) The Housing Improvement Act, 1936, is fur-Further ther amended-

(a) by inserting in section two next after the 59, 1936. matter relating to Part V the following words Sec. 2. (Division and symbols:into Parts.)

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PART VA—Erskineville Housing Scheme.

PART VB-FINANCE.

(b) by inserting at the end of the same section the word-

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"SCHEDULES."

(4) The Housing Improvement Act, 1936, is further Further amended—

(a) by omitting from paragraph (a) of subsection 59, 1936. six of section five the words "to a any member"; Sec. 5. (b) of board.)

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	(b) by inserting at the end of the same paragraph
	the words—
	(i) to a member; or
	(ii) to the secretary or any other officer
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	tion eight of this Act; or
	(iii) to any officer, servant or employee of

whose services the board makes use pursuant to subsection four of section eight of this Act.

(c) by omitting from paragraph (b) of the same subsection the words "A member" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "Any person."

4. (1) The Public Health Act, 1902-1932. 15 amended--

(a) (i) by omitting from subsection one of section fifty-eight the words "that any house or other building within its area is unfit or orders.) unsafe for human habitation or occupation, 20 such local authority may" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "or to the Board that any house or other building within the area of the local authority is unfit or unsafe for human habitation or occupation or has 25 become ruinous and dangerous (that is to say ruinous to such an extent that the continuance of such house or building is dangerous to the public or to the inhabitants of the neighbouring dwelling-houses) such 30 local authority or the Board shall";

> (ii) by inserting in the same subsection after the words "is not fit for human habitation or occupation" the words "or is in a ruinous and dangerous condition";

> (iii) by inserting in the same subsection after the words "so as to render it fit for human habitation or occupation" the words "or eliminate the ruinous and dangerous condition (as the case may be)";

(iv) by omitting from the same subsection after the word "order" the word "may" and by inserting in lieu thereof the word "shall";

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- (b) (i) by inserting in subsection one of section Sec. 61. sixty-one after the word "dwelling- (Demolition houses" the words "or (as the case may orders.) be) that the ruinous and dangerous condition has not been eliminated and that the necessary steps are not being taken to eliminate such condition";
 - (ii) by inserting in subsection three of the same section after the word "occupation" the words "or (as the case may be) the works necessary to eliminate the ruinous and dangerous condition of the house or building";
 - (iii) by omitting from subsection one of section sixty-three the word "section" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "sections fifty-eight or".

(2) The Public Health Act, 1902-1932, as amended Citation. by this Act, may be cited as the Public Health Act, 1902-1937.

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PART III.

AMENDMENT OF GOVERNMENT GUARANTEES ACT, 1934.

5. The Government Guarantees Act, 1934, as amended citation. by this Act, may be cited as the Government Guarantees Act, 1934-1937.

6. (1) The Government Guarantees Act, 1934, is Amendment 25 amended-

of Act No. 57, 1934.

- (a) (i) by inserting in subsection two of section sec. 3. three after the word "bank" where firstly (Authority occurring the words "or of any society to Treasurer to give registered under the Friendly Societies guarantees.) 30 Act, 1912-1935 (in this Act referred to as 'friendly society') or of any other body of persons, corporate or unincorporate, approved by the Minister (in this Act referred to as 'approved body')"; 35
 - (ii) by omitting from the same subsection the words "to be made by the bank—" and by inserting

inserting in lieu thereof the words "made or to be made by the bank, friendly society or approved body, as the case may be,—"

- (iii) by inserting at the end of the same section the following new subsection:
 - (6) Any guarantee executed by the Colonial Treasurer under this Act may be made by way of increase of the amount of the Colonial Treasurer's liability as stated in a previous guarantee given under this Act, and may be made upon such terms and conditions as are prescribed or as the Colonial Treasurer may determine.

The enactment of this subsection shall not affect subsections one, two and three of this section.

(b) (i) by inserting in section four after the word Sec. 4. "bank" wherever occurring the words (Provisions relating to "friendly society or approved body as the guarantees.) case may be":

- (ii) by inserting in paragraph (d) of the same section after the word "hold" the words "or retain and hold";
- (iii) by inserting in paragraph (e) of the same section after the words "marketing board or a society" the words "(other than a building society)";
- (iv) by inserting at the end of the same paragraph the words "or where the principal debtor is a building society within the meaning of the said Act unless the bank, friendly society or approved body, as the case may be, shall, under the provisions of the securities executed by the building society in favour of the bank, friendly society or approved body as the case may be, or of any of such securities, have become entitled to appoint a receiver of the undertaking and assets of the building society."

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- (2) The amendments made by subsection one of this section shall be deemed to have commenced on the thirty-first day of December, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-four, and shall apply to all guarantees exe-5 cuted on or after that date notwithstanding anything therein contained.
 - (3) The Government Guarantees Act, 1934, is Further further amended-

of Act No. 57, 1934. (Authority to Treasurer to give

guarantees.)

(a) by omitting from subsection two of section Sec. 3. three the figures "1923-1932" and by inserting in lieu thereof the following figures and new proviso:-

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Provided that where any such guarantee is for the repayment of any advance made to a building society within the meaning of the Co-operation Act, 1923-1937, it shall not be executed except upon the recommendation of the Co-operative Building Advisory Committee constituted under that Act;"

(b) by inserting at the end of the same section the following new subsection:-

(6) (7) The approval of the Governor to the execution of any guarantee under this section shall be conclusive evidence that the guarantee has not been entered into in contravention of this section.

7. (1) The action of the Governor and Executive Validation. Council in authorising the giving and of the Colonial 30 Treasurer in giving the guarantees set out in the Schedule to this Act is hereby validated.

(2) No guarantee so given shall be held to be void merely on the ground that the person by whom such guarantee was so given had no power to create a liability **35** enforceable against the Government and to be discharged out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

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- (3) The Government Guarantees Act, 1934, is Further amended—

 Guarantees Act, 1934, is Further amended—

 Act No. 57, 1934.
 - (a) by inserting in section three after the words Sec. 3.

 "validated by this Act" wherever occurring the (Authority to Treasurer to give guarantees.)
 - (b) by inserting in section four after the words sec. 4.

 "validated by this Act" the words "or by the (Provisions Housing (Further Provisions) Act, 1937";

 "guarantees.)
- (c) by inserting in section five after the words "by Sec. 5.
 this Act" the words "or validated by the Housing (Further Provisions) Act, 1937." (Contingent appropriation.)

PART IV.

AMENDMENT OF CO-OPERATION ACT, 1923-1936.

- 15 8. The Co-operation Act, 1923-1936, as amended by citation. subsequent Acts and by this Act, may be cited as the Co-operation Act, 1923-1937.
 - 9. The Co-operation Act, 1923-1936, as amended by Amendment subsequent Acts, is amended—

 Amendment of Act No. 1, 1924.
- 20 (a) by omitting paragraph (c) of subsection one of Sec. 17A.

 section 17A and by inserting in lieu thereof the (Undertakings by following paragraph:—

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 - (c) the amount proposed to be lent reduced by the value of the share capital of the member or by the sum of one hundred pounds whichever is the smaller sum does not exceed nine hundred pounds; and
 - (b) by inserting at the end of the same subsection the following words and new subsection:—
- The instrument evidencing any agreement entered into under this section may be signed by the Colonial Treasurer or for and on behalf of the Colonial Treasurer by any other Minister of the Crown.

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(1a) The value of the share capital of a member of any society shall, for the purposes of this section, be calculated in such manner as the Co-operative Building Advisory Committee constituted under this Act may direct.

Any such direction shall be given in relation to the society specified in the direction and shall not be altered while any agreement with that society under this section has effect.

- 10 (c) by inserting in subsection two of the same section after the words "the Governor to" the words "enter into";
 - (d) by inserting in subsection four of the same section after the words "the Governor to" the words "enter into";
 - (e) by omitting from the same subsection the word "subsection" and by inserting in lieu thereof the word "section".
- 10. (1) The Co-operation Act, 1923-1936, as amended Further amended— Act No. 1, 1924.
 - (a) by omitting from paragraph (d) of subsection Sec. 17A. one of section 17A the words "paid up value of (Underthe members share capital" and by inserting takings by Ireasurer.) in lieu thereof the words "value of the share capital of the member";

(b) by omitting from the same subsection the words "paid up value of the member's share capital is in excess of" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "value of the share capital of the member exceeded":

(c) by inserting at the end of the same subsection the following new paragraph:—

Any such agreement shall operate and have effect until the registrar certifies to the Governor that the amount owing to the society by the member in respect of the loan to which the agreement relates, reduced by the value of the share capital of the member is not more than

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than sixty-six and two-thirds per centum of the value of the land and dwelling-house as ascertained in accordance with paragraph (d) of this subsection.

(2) The amendments made by subsection one of this section shall be deemed to have commenced upon the second day of February, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-seven, and shall apply to all agreements entered into on or after that date notwithstanding anything

10 therein contained; and the obligations of the Colonial Treasurer under any such agreement shall be varied accordingly; but no such variation shall operate to increase the limit of the amount of the Colonial Treasurer's liability as stated in the agreement.

11. The Co-operation Act, 1923-1936, as amended by Further amendment of subsequent Acts, is further amended— Act No. 1, 1924.

> (a) by inserting next after section eighty-four the Newsec. following new section:

84A. (1) This section shall apply to and in respect of-

> (a) every building society for the repay- Power to ment of an advance to which the director Colonial Treasurer has, either before of certain or after the commencement of the societies. Housing (Further Provisions) Act, 1937, executed a guarantee under the Government Guarantees Act, 1934, or under that Act as amended by subsequent Acts; and

(b) every building society with which the 30 midted anidlin Colonial Treasurer has, either before or after the commencement of the Housing (Further Provisions) Act, 1937, entered into an agreement under section 17A of this Act, whether as originally enacted or as amended from time to time.

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- (2) The Governor may, from time to time, by notification published in the Gazette, appoint a person to be a director of any building society to which this section applies.
- 5 (3) The provisions of this Act (other than this section) and of the rules of the building society relating to the qualification, disqualification, remuneration, removal from office and term of office of directors and to the vacation 10 of office by directors shall not apply to and in respect of a director appointed under this section.
 - (4) A director appointed under this section shall hold office as an additional director and shall not be counted in ascertaining the number of directors for the election of whom provision is made in the rules of the society.
 - (5) Subject to subsection three of this section a director appointed under this section shall have all the powers, rights, authorities, functions, privileges, immunities, duties, obligations and liabilities of a director elected in accordance with the rules of the society.
- (6) A director appointed under this 25 section shall, unless he is an officer of the Public Service or a member of the Legislative Council or of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, be paid such fees as may be prescribed by regulation.
- (b) by inserting next after section eighty-eight the New secs. 30 following new sections:-

88A. A director or other officer of a building Certain society shall not, except where specifically autho-prohibited. rised by a special resolution of the society-

(a) sell any land to or act as agent for the sale of any land to a member of the society who proposes to pay for the same, in whole or in part, out of an advance made by the society; or

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- (b) undertake the erection of any building for a member of the society who proposes to pay for the same, in whole or in part, out of an advance made by the society; or
- (c) accept as payment in whole or in part of any moneys due to him by a member of the society the whole or part of any advance made by the society to such member.

88B. (1) This section shall apply to and in Power to respect of—

(a) every building society for the repay- secretary of certain ment of an advance to which the Co. societies lonial Treasurer has, either before or after after the commencement of the Housing (Further Provisions) Act, 1937, executed a guarantee under the Government Guarantees Act, 1934, or under that Act as amended by subsequent Acts; and

(b) every building society with which the Colonial Treasurer has, either before or after the commencement of the Housing (Further Provisions) Act, 1937, entered into an agreement under section 17A of this Act, whether as originally enacted or as amended from time to time.

(2) The Minister may appoint a person to hold an inquiry and to report to the cooperative building advisory committee with respect to—

> (a) any matter relating to the carrying out of the provisions of this or any other Act conferring powers or imposing duties on a building society to which this section applies; or

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- (b) any act or omission of any director or secretary of a building society to which this section applies—such act or omission having relation to the carrying out of the provisions of this or any other Act conferring powers or imposing duties on the building society or to the office or position held by the director or secretary or to the powers or duties of that office or position.
- (3) For the purposes of any such inquiry the person holding the inquiry shall have the powers, authorities, protections and immunities conferred on a commissioner by Division 1 of Part II of the Royal Commissions Acts, 1923-1934, and shall be deemed to be a sole commissioner within the meaning of that Division.

The provisions of the Royal Commissions Acts, 1923-1934, with the exception of section thirteen and of Division 2 of Part II, shall, mutatis mutandis, apply to the inquiry and to any witness or person summoned by or appearing before the person holding the inquiry.

(4) The co-operative building advisory committee may, after consideration of the report of the person holding an inquiry under this section, direct that the office or position in a building society of the director or secretary to whom the report relates shall be vacated, and that such director shall not be eligible to hold office as a director of or (as the case may require) that such secretary shall not be eligible for appointment or employment as the secretary of that building society.

The office or position shall be deemed to have become vacant as from the date upon which notices, addressed to the director or secretary to whom the same relates and to the society of which he is a director or the secretary, as the

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case may be, and signed by the chairman and executive member of the Co-operative Building Advisory Committee, of the direction of that committee, are delivered at or posted to the registered office of the building society.

- (5) Every director or secretary of a building society to which this section applies shall, whether he was elected or appointed to such office or position before, or is so elected or appointed after, the commencement of the Housing (Further Provisions) Act, 1937, hold his office or position subject to the provisions of this section.
- 12. (1) The Co-operation Act, 1923-1936, as amended Further amended—

 by subsequent Acts, is further amended—

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(a) by inserting at the end of subsection ten of sec- Sec. 47. tion forty-seven the following proviso:— (Shares.)

Provided that where a society has made a loan to a member and the number of shares held by such member has exceeded, or at any time exceeds, the number permitted by or under this subsection, such member shall, until the amount lent to him has been repaid to the society with interest thereon, be liable to make to the society the payments which he would be liable to make if all such shares were lawfully held by him and no security for the repayment of such loan taken by the society shall be affected by any contravention of this subsection.

- 30 (b) (i) by omitting subsection one of section sixty- Sec. 65. five and by inserting in lieu thereof the following subsection:—

 (Borrowing powers.)
 - (1) (a) Where a society is authorised by its rules to raise money on loan the society may raise the money in such manner as the society may think fit, and in particular by legal or equitable mortgage charged upon the undertaking of the society or upon all

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		or any part of the property and rights (both present and future) of the society, includ- ing its uncalled or unpaid capital, subscrip- tions, loan payments and other moneys, or		20
5		by the issue of bonds. (b) A society shall not be deemed to		73
		be authorised to receive money on deposit unless, by its rules, it is expressly autho- rised to receive money on deposit.		
10	(ii)	by inserting in subsection two of the same section after the word "financial" the word "or";		0.1
15	(c) (i)	sixty-six after the word "bank" the words	(Loans and deposits.)	
20	(ii)	by omitting from subsection (7A) of the same section the words "during such period" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "or if all deposits received have been repaid at		
20	(iii)	the time of the loan"; by inserting at the end of subsection (7B) of the same section the following paragraph: For the purposes of this subsection a		() 8
25		bond shall not include any instrument which makes any property liable, whether speci- fically or otherwise, to any bank or any society registered under the Friendly		ŏ
30		Societies Act, 1912-1935, or any financial or trading corporation, or liable specifically to any other person as security for money raised on loan or received on deposit.	(b)	Q8
35	(iv)	by omitting subsection twelve of the same section and by inserting in lieu thereof the following subsection:— (12) No member or other person lending		1
		money to or depositing money with a society shall be bound to see to the application thereof or be in any way affected or pro-		3
40		judiced by the fact that such society, in borrowing		

borrowing such money or receiving such deposit, has contravened the provisions of this or any other section of this Act or the rules of the society.

- (d) by inserting at the end of section eighty the Sec. 80.

 following new subsection:

 (Special resolution.)
- (4) A certificate of registration of any special resolution or of any alteration of the rules of a society given by the registrar shall, in favour of any person advancing money to the society on the faith of such certificate, or in favour of any guarantor of any such advance, be conclusive evidence that such resolution was duly passed or such alteration in the rules was duly made as the case may be.
 - (e) (i) by inserting in section one hundred and thir- Sec. 113.

 teen after the words "of this Act" where (Civil firstly occurring the words "or any rule of remedies.)

 the society";
- 20 (ii) by inserting in the same section after the words "of this Act" where secondly occurring the words "or of the rules of the society."
- (2) Subsection one of this section shall be deemed 25 to have commenced on the thirty-first day of December, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-four.

PART V.

Amendment of Housing of the Unemployed Act, 1934-1936.

30 13. This Part of this Act shall be deemed to have Commence-commenced on the twenty-ninth day of June, one thou-ment of Part V. sand nine hundred and thirty-four.

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	1936, is amended—	4, 1934.
	(a) by inserting next after section six the following x	lew sec. 6A.
	new section:— 6A. (1) The trust may, from time to time by I	Delegation
5	resolution, delegate such of the powers, autho-	Jelegation.
	rities, duties or functions of the trust or of the	
	chairman as are specified in the resolution—	
	(a) to any member of the trust;	
10	(b) to any officer appointed under subsection two of section six of this Act;	
	(c) to any officer or employee of whose ser-	
	vices the trust makes use pursuant to	
	subsection one of section six of this	
15	Act.	
	(2) Any such delegation may be made either generally or for any particular case or	
	class of cases.	
	(3) Any person, when acting within the	
20	scope of any such delegation to him, shall be	
	deemed to be the trust or the chairman as the	
	case may be.	
	(4) Any instrument necessary to be exe-	
	cuted and any notice, order, summons or other like document requiring authentication for the	
25	purpose of the exercise or discharge of any	
	power, authority, duty or function delegated to	
	any person under this section, shall be suf-	
	ficiently executed or authenticated, as the case may be, if signed by such person in such a way as	
30	to show that he does so under and in pursuance	
	of the delegation.	
	(5) The trust may by resolution revoke	
	any delegation made under this section.	
35		Sec. 8. (Powers of
	lowing new subsection:—	trust.)
	(3) The trust may, from time to time, upon	
	such conditions as may be determined by it, provide assistance of whatever nature it may	
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person in necessitous circumstances in connection with the erection, improvement or repair of any building used or intended to be used as a home for such person and his family.

(c) by inserting at the end of section nine the fol- sec. 9.

lowing new subsection:—

(Furthernoon)

Sec. 9. (Further powers of trust.)

- (4) The trust may, from time to time, upon trust.) such conditions as may be determined by it, effect such improvements or repairs as it may deem necessary to—
 - (a) any building on land which is vested in or leased by the trust; or
 - (b) any building on land which has been let, leased or sold by the trust under this section; or
 - (c) any building which has been erected, repaired or improved with materials supplied by the trust or purchased with moneys advanced by the trust under and in accordance with this Act.

(2) The Housing of the Unemployed Act, 1934-1936, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the Housing of the Unemployed Act, 1934-1937.

SCHEDULE.

Sec. 7.

25	Date.	Debtor.	Creditor.	Amount guaranteed.
30	16th Dec., 1936	The Organising Council of the Australian British Empire Games Association.	Bank of Aus-	£ 10,000
	29th Sep., 1937	Port Kembla Co-opera- tive Building Society Limited.	Bank of New South Wales, Port Kembla Branch.	63,000
35	29th Sep., 1937	Port Kembla Brick Co-operative Build- ing Society Limited.	Wales, Port	34,000

Sydney: David Harold Paisley, Government Printer-1937.

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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. R. McCOURT,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 10 December, 1937, A.M.

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to this Bill with Amendments.

Clerk of the Parliaments.

Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, December, 1937.

New South Wales.



ANNO SECUNDO

GEORGII VI REGIS.

Act No. , 1937.

An Act to make further provisions in relation to housing; to validate certain matters; to amend the Housing Improvement Act, 1936, the Government Guarantees Act, 1934, the Co-operation Act, 1923–1936, the Housing of the Unemployed Act, 1934–1936, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

DE 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. (1) This Act may be cited as the "Housing Short title. (Further Provisions) Act, 1937."

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- (2) This Act is divided into Parts as follows:--
- PART I.—PRELIMINARY.
- PART II.—AMENDMENT OF HOUSING IMPROVEMENT ACT, 1936, AND CERTAIN OTHER ACTS.
- 5 PART III.—AMENDMENT OF GOVERNMENT GUARAN-TEES ACT, 1934.
 - PART IV.—AMENDMENT OF CO-OPERATION ACT, 1923-1936.
- PART V.—AMENDMENT OF HOUSING OF THE UNEMPLOYED ACT, 1934-1936.

 SCHEDULE.

PART II.

Amendment of Housing Improvement Act, 1936, and certain other Acts.

- 2. The Housing Improvement Act, 1936, as amended citation. by this Act, may be cited as the Housing Improvement Act, 1936-1937.
- 3. (1) The Housing Improvement Act, 1936, is Amendment of amended by inserting next after Part V the following Act No. 59, 1936.

 20 new Parts:—

 New Parts VA and VB.

PART VA.

ERSKINEVILLE HOUSING SCHEME.

Division 1.—Construction of certain works.

25 described in the First Schedule to this Act of the work referred to in the Second Schedule to this Act is hereby sanctioned.

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is hereby sanctioned.

(b) The said work shall be deemed to be an authorised work within the meaning of the

Public Works Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts.

(c)

- (c) The Housing Improvement Board is empowered to carry out the said work and shall be the constructing authority for the same within the meaning of the said Act as so amended and shall enter into such contracts and take all such necessary steps for the proper execution thereof as such authority may think proper.
- (d) The provisions of the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts, sections thirty-four, thirty-five, thirty-six and thirty-seven excepted, shall apply to and in respect of the said work.

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- (2) Without prejudice to the generality of subsection one of this section the provisions of section thirty-eight of the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts, shall apply to and in respect of any contract referred to in paragraph (c) of subsection one of this section.
- 14B. (1) The cost of carrying out so much of the cost. said work as is referred to in Part One of the Second Schedule to this Act (exclusive of land resumptions) is estimated at fifty-four thousand pounds.
 - (2) The cost of carrying out so much of the said work as is referred to in Part Two of the Second Schedule to this Act (exclusive of land resumptions) is estimated at fifteen thousand pounds.
 - (3) The cost of carrying out so much of the said work as is referred to in Part Three of the Second Schedule to this Act (exclusive of land resumptions) is estimated at five hundred pounds.
 - (4) The respective estimated costs referred to in this section shall not under any circumstances be exceeded by more than ten per centum.

Division 2.—Care, control and management of certain works.

14c. The board shall have the care, control and care, management of so much of the work referred to in management.

the Second Schedule to this Act as consists of dwellings and ancillary buildings and works constructed on the portion of land referred to in Part One of that Schedule.

14D. (1) For the purposes of carrying this Powers Division into effect the board may, from time to of the board. time and notwithstanding anything contained in any other Act, take such steps, provide such equipment, and carry out such works and operations (including works of maintenance and repair) as may be necessary or as it may think desirable.

(2) Without prejudice to the generality of subsection one of this section the board may let

or may, with the approval of the Governor, sell or otherwise dispose of the land or any part thereof upon which any of the works referred to in section

14c of this Act are constructed.

Any such letting may be made at such rent (whether the same is the best rent that can reasonably be obtained or not) and for such term and subject to such covenants and conditions as the board, in its absolute discretion, may from time to time determine.

14E. (1) Upon completion of the works referred Park lands. to in Part Two of the Second Schedule to this Act, the Governor shall notify in the Gazette that such works are complete.

(2) On the date of the publication in the Gazette of any such notification—

(a) the land upon which the works referred to in the notification have been carried out shall become Crown land within the meaning of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, as amended by subsequent Acts; and

(b) such land shall be deemed to be dedicated under the said Act as so amended for the purposes of public recreation; and

(c) the board shall have the care, control and management of such land and shall continue to have such care, control and management

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until the Governor by proclamation in the Gazette, pursuant to section three hundred and forty-five of the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended by subsequent Acts, charges the council of the area with the care, control and management of such land.

(3) Where the board has the care, control and management of any land pursuant to this section—

- (a) the board shall have and may exercise and discharge, in relation to such land, all or any of the powers, authorities, duties and functions which may be exercised and discharged under the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended by subsequent Acts, by a council in relation to a public reserve, the care, control and management of which is placed in the council under Part XIII of the said Act as so amended;
- (b) the Governor may make regulations in relation to such land prescribing all such matters and things as may be prescribed by ordinance under the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended by subsequent Acts, in relation to a public reserve, the care, control and management of which is placed in a council under Part XIII of the said Act as so amended.

All regulations made under this subsection shall-

- (i) be published in the Gazette;
- (ii) take effect from the date of such publication or from a later date to be specified in the regulations; and
- (iii) be laid before both Houses of Parliament within fourteen sitting days after the publication thereof if Parliament is in session, and if not, then within fourteen sitting days after the commencement of the next session.

If either House of Parliament passes a resolution of which notice has been given at any time within fifteen sittings days after such regulations have been

been laid before such House disallowing any regulation or part thereof, such regulation or part shall thereupon cease to have effect.

14r. Where land is acquired by the board Exemption 5 pursuant to this Part of this Act, no rate shall be made or levied under the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended by subsequent Acts, in respect of the land so acquired.

from rates.

14g. On and from the day upon which that portion Rights, of the land described in the First Schedule to this liabilities and Act which is referred to in Part Three of the Second property. Schedule to this Act is acquired by the board the following provisions shall have effect:-

- (a) The body corporate known as The Trustees of Erskineville Park shall be and the same is hereby dissolved, and the persons who, immediately before the said day, were the members of such body corporate shall cease to hold office as such.
 - (b) All property (other than the land so acquired) and all right and interest therein which, immediately before the said day, is vested in or belongs to The Trustees of Erskineville Park, shall vest in and belong to the board.
 - (c) All moneys, liquidated and unliquidated claims which, immediately before the said day, are payable to or recoverable by The Trustees of Erskineville Park, shall be moneys, liquidated and unliquidated claims payable to and recoverable by the board.
 - (d) All suits, actions and proceedings pending immediately before the said day at the suit of The Trustees of Erskineville Park, shall be suits, actions and proceedings pending at the suit of the board.
 - (e) The board may pursue the same remedies for the recovery of any such moneys and claims and for the prosecution of such suits, actions

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actions and proceedings as The Trustees of Erskineville Park might have done but for this Act.

- (f) The board may enforce and realise any security or charge existing immediately before the said day in favour of The Trustees of Erskineville Park in respect of any such moneys and claims as if such security or charge were existing in favour of the board.
- (g) All debts due and moneys payable by and all claims, liquidated and unliquidated, recoverable against The Trustees of Erskineville Park shall be debts due and moneys payable by and claims recoverable against the board:

Provided that the liability of the board in respect of such debts, moneys and claims shall be limited to the amount of the assets of The Trustees of Erskineville Park which are vested in or recovered by the board under this section.

PART VB.

FINANCE.

- 25 14H. (1) There shall be constituted an account in Housing Special Deposits Account to be called the "Housing Improvement Account."
 - (2) The account shall be applied for the purpose of the administration and execution of this Act and for no other purpose whatsoever.
 - 141. (1) There shall be paid to the credit of the Assets of account—
 - (a) all moneys advanced to the board by the Colonial Treasurer or provided by Parliament for the purposes of the board;
 - (b) all moneys received by the board from any other source.

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- (2) The account may be applied to any of Application of account. the following purposes:-

 - (a) the administrative expenses of the board;
 - (b) the costs and expenses incurred in carrying out any of the powers, authorities, duties and functions conferred and imposed on the board by or under this Act;
 - (c) any purpose directed or authorised by cr under this Act for the application of the account.
- (3) The account shall be operated on in the manner prescribed.

14J. The board shall cause to be kept proper books Accounts. of account, and shall, as soon as practicable after the thirtieth day of June in each year, prepare and 15 transmit to the Minister for presentation to Parliament a statement of accounts in a form approved by the Auditor-General, exhibiting a true and correct view of the financial position and transactions of the board. 20

14k. The accounts of the board shall be audited Audit. by the Auditor-General, who shall have, in respect thereof, all the powers conferred on the Auditor-General by any law now or hereafter to be in force relating to the audit of public accounts; and the Audit Act, 1902, and Acts amending the same, shall apply to the board, the members of the board and the officers and employees of the board in the same manner as it applies to accounting officers of public departments.

(2) The Housing Improvement Act, 1936, is further Further amended by inserting after section sixteen the following of Act No. 59, 1936. new Schedules :--

New Schedules.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

All that piece or parcel of land known as Erskineville Park, 35 parishes of Alexandria and Petersham, county of Cumberland, bounded by Mitchell-road, Ashmore-street, Binning-street, Swanson-street and Copeland-street.

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SECOND SCHEDULE.

The works respectively referred to in Part One, Part Two and Part Three of this Schedule are subject to such modifications as may be considered desirable by the Board.

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PART ONE.

The construction upon the north-western portion (comprising approximately four acres) of the land described in the First Schedule to this Act, of fifty-six dwellings (including the provision of equipment therefor) and of ancillary buildings and

PART Two.

The construction upon the eastern portion (comprising approximately eleven and one-half acres) of the land described in the First Schedule to this Act, of such works (including the 15 provision of a sports ground) as may be necessary to render that portion suitable for use by the public for purposes of public recreation, convenience, health or enjoyment.

PART THREE.

The construction upon that portion (comprising approximately 20 seven acres) of the land described in the First Schedule to this Act which is not comprised in the portions referred to in Part One and Part Two of this Schedule of such works as may be necessary to render that portion suitable for use by the public for purposes of public recreation, convenience, health or enjoy-25

(3) The Housing Improvement Act, 1936, is fur-Further ther amended-

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into Parts.)

(a) by inserting in section two next after the 59, 1936. matter relating to Part V the following words Sec. 2. and symbols:-

PART VA—Erskineville Housing Scheme.

PART VB-FINANCE.

(b) by inserting at the end of the same section the word-

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"SCHEDULES."

(4) The Housing Improvement Act, 1936, is further Further amended-

(a) by omitting from paragraph (a) of subsection ^{59,1936}. six of section five the words "to a any member"; Sec. 5.

(Powers (b) of board.)

- (b) by inserting at the end of the same paragraph the words—
 - (i) to a member; or

(ii) to the secretary or any other officer appointed under subsection one of section eight of this Act; or

(iii) to any officer, servant or employee of whose services the board makes use pursuant to subsection four of section eight of this Act.

(c) by omitting from paragraph (b) of the same subsection the words "A member" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "Any person."

4. (1) The Public Health Act, 1902-1932, 15 is Amendment amended--

(a) (i) by omitting from subsection one of section fifty-eight the words "that any house or other building within its area is unfit or orders.) unsafe for human habitation or occupation, such local authority may" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "or to the Board that any house or other building within the area of the local authority is unfit or unsafe for human habitation or occupation or has become ruinous and dangerous (that is to say ruinous to such an extent that the continuance of such house or building is dangerous to the public or to the inhabitants of the neighbouring dwelling-houses) such local authority or the Board shall':

(ii) by inserting in the same subsection after the words "is not fit for human habitation or occupation" the words "or is in a ruinous and dangerous condition";

(iii) by inserting in the same subsection after the words "so as to render it fit for human habitation or occupation" the words "or eliminate the ruinous and dangerous condition (as the case may be)";

(iv) by omitting from the same subsection after the word "order" the word "may" and by inserting in lieu thereof the word "shall";

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- (b) (i) by inserting in subsection one of section Sec. 61. sixty-one after the word "dwelling- (Demolition houses" the words "or (as the case may orders.) be) that the ruinous and dangerous condition has not been eliminated and that the necessary steps are not being taken to eliminate such condition";
 - (ii) by inserting in subsection three of the same section after the word "occupation" the words "or (as the case may be) the works necessary to eliminate the ruinous and dangerous condition of the house or building";
- (iii) by omitting from subsection one of section sixty-three the word "section" and by inserting 15 in lieu thereof the words "sections fifty-eight or".
 - (2) The Public Health Act, 1902-1932, as amended Citation. by this Act, may be cited as the Public Health Act, 1902-1937.

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PART III.

AMENDMENT OF GOVERNMENT GUARANTEES ACT, 1934.

- 5. The Government Guarantees Act, 1934, as amended citation. by this Act, may be cited as the Government Guarantees Act, 1934-1937.
- 25 6. (1) The Government Guarantees Act, 1934, is Amendment amended-

(a) (i) by inserting in subsection two of section sec. 3. three after the word "bank" where firstly (Authority occurring the words "or of any society to Treat to give registered under the Friendly Societies guarantees.) 30 Act, 1912-1935 (in this Act referred to as 'friendly society') or of any other body of persons, corporate or unincorporate, approved by the Minister (in this Act referred to as 'approved body')";

(ii) by omitting from the same subsection the words "to be made by the bank-" and by inserting

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inserting in lieu thereof the words "made or to be made by the bank, friendly society or approved body, as the case may be,—"

- (iii) by inserting at the end of the same section the following new subsection:
 - (6) Any guarantee executed by the Colonial Treasurer under this Act may be made by way of increase of the amount of the Colonial Treasurer's liability as stated in a previous guarantee given under this Act, and may be made upon such terms and conditions as are prescribed or as the Colonial Treasurer may determine.

The enactment of this subsection shall not affect subsections one, two and three of this section.

(b) (i) by inserting in section four after the word Sec. 4. "bank" wherever occurring the words (Provisions relating to "friendly society or approved body as the guarantees.) case may be";

- (ii) by inserting in paragraph (d) of the same section after the word "hold" the words "or retain and hold";
- (iii) by inserting in paragraph (e) of the same section after the words "marketing board or a society" the words "(other than a building society)";
- (iv) by inserting at the end of the same paragraph the words "or where the principal debtor is a building society within the meaning of the said Act unless the bank, friendly society or approved body, as the case may be, shall, under the provisions of the securities executed by the building society in favour of the bank, friendly society or approved body as the case may be, or of any of such securities, have become entitled to appoint a receiver of the undertaking and assets of the building society,"

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(2) The amendments made by subsection one of this section shall be deemed to have commenced on the thirty-first day of December, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-four, and shall apply to all guarantees exe-5 cuted on or after that date notwithstanding anything therein contained.

(3) The Government Guarantees Act, 1934, is Further further amended—

of Act No. 57, 1934.

(a) by omitting from subsection two of section Sec. 3. three the figures "1923-1932" and by inserting in lieu thereof the following figures and new proviso:-

(Authority to Treasurer guarantees.)

"1923-1937:

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Provided that where any such guarantee is for the repayment of any advance made to a building society within the meaning of the Co-operation Act, 1923-1937, it shall not be executed except upon the recommendation of the Co-operative Building Advisory Committee constituted under that Act;"

(b) by inserting at the end of the same section the following new subsection:

(6) (7) The approval of the Governor to the execution of any guarantee under this section shall be conclusive evidence that the guarantee has not been entered into in contravention of this section.

7. (1) The action of the Governor and Executive Validation. Council in authorising the giving and of the Colonial 30 Treasurer in giving the guarantees set out in the Schedule to this Act is hereby validated.

(2) No guarantee so given shall be held to be void merely on the ground that the person by whom such guarantee was so given had no power to create a liability 35 enforceable against the Government and to be discharged out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

- (3) The Government Guarantees Act, 1934, is Further amendment of Act No. 57, 1934. further amended—
 - (a) by inserting in section three after the words Sec. 3. "validated by this Act" wherever occurring the (Authority words "or by the Housing (Further Provisions) to Tree Act, 1937";
 - (b) by inserting in section four after the words sec. 4. "validated by this Act" the words "or by the (Provisions Housing (Further Provisions) Act, 1937";

(c) by inserting in section five after the words "by Sec. 5. 10 this Act" the words "or validated by the Hous- (Contingent ing (Further Provisions) Act, 1937."

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PART IV.

AMENDMENT OF CO-OPERATION ACT, 1923-1936.

- 8. The Co-operation Act, 1923-1936, as amended by Citation. subsequent Acts and by this Act, may be cited as the Co-operation Act, 1923-1937.
 - 9. The Co-operation Act, 1923-1936, as amended by Amendment of Act No. 1, subsequent Acts, is amended—
- (a) by omitting paragraph (c) of subsection one of Sec. 17A. 20 section 17A and by inserting in lieu thereof the (Underfollowing paragraph:—

takings by Treasurer.)

- (c) the amount proposed to be lent reduced by the value of the share capital of the member or by the sum of one hundred pounds whichever is the smaller sum does not exceed nine hundred pounds; and
- (b) by inserting at the end of the same subsection the following words and new subsection:
- 30 The instrument evidencing any agreement entered into under this section may be signed by the Colonial Treasurer or for and on behalf of the Colonial Treasurer by any other Minister of the Crown.

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(1A) The value of the share capital of a member of any society shall, for the purposes of this section, be calculated in such manner as the Co-operative Building Advisory Committee constituted under this Act may direct.

Any such direction shall be given in relation to the society specified in the direction and shall not be altered while any agreement with that society under this section has effect.

- (c) by inserting in subsection two of the same section after the words "the Governor to" the words "enter into":
- (d) by inserting in subsection four of the same section after the words "the Governor to" the words "enter into";
 - (e) by omitting from the same subsection the word "subsection" and by inserting in lieu thereof the word "section".

10. (1) The Co-operation Act, 1923-1936, as amended Further 20 by subsequent Acts, is further amended—

> (a) by omitting from paragraph (d) of subsection Sec. 17A. one of section 17A the words "paid up value of (Underthe members share capital" and by inserting takings by in lieu thereof the words "value of the share capital of the member":

- (b) by omitting from the same subsection the words "paid up value of the member's share capital is in excess of" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "value of the share capital of the member exceeded":
- (c) by inserting at the end of the same subsection the following new paragraph:-

Any such agreement shall operate and have effect until the registrar certifies to the Governor that the amount owing to the society by the member in respect of the loan to which the agreement relates, reduced by the value of the share capital of the member is not more than

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than sixty-six and two-thirds per centum of the value of the land and dwelling-house as ascertained in accordance with paragraph (d) of this subsection.

- 5 (2) The amendments made by subsection one of this section shall be deemed to have commenced upon the second day of February, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-seven, and shall apply to all agreements entered into on or after that date notwithstanding anything
- 10 therein contained; and the obligations of the Colonial Treasurer under any such agreement shall be varied accordingly; but no such variation shall operate to increase the limit of the amount of the Colonial Treasurer's liability as stated in the agreement.
- 15 11. The Co-operation Act, 1923-1936, as amended by Further amended—

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 - (a) by inserting next after section eighty-four the New sec. following new section:—
 - 84a. (1) This section shall apply to and in respect of—

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- (a) every building society for the repayment of an advance to which the appoint
 Colonial Treasurer has, either before of certain
 or after the commencement of the
 Housing (Further Provisions) Act,
 1937, executed a guarantee under the
 Government Guarantees Act, 1934, or
 under that Act as amended by subsequent Acts; and
- (b) every building society with which the Colonial Treasurer has, either before or after the commencement of the Housing (Further Provisions) Act, 1937, entered into an agreement under section 17A of this Act, whether as originally enacted or as amended from time to time.

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(2) The Governor may, from time to time, by notification published in the Gazette, appoint a person to be a director of any building society to which this section applies.

(3) The provisions of this Act (other than this section) and of the rules of the building society relating to the qualification, disqualification, remuneration, removal from office and term of office of directors and to the vacation of office by directors shall not apply to and in respect of a director appointed under this section.

> (4) A director appointed under this section shall hold office as an additional director and shall not be counted in ascertaining the number of directors for the election of whom provision is made in the rules of the society.

> (5) Subject to subsection three of this section a director appointed under this section shall have all the powers, rights, authorities, functions, privileges, immunities, duties, obligations and liabilities of a director elected in accordance with the rules of the society.

> (6) A director appointed under this section shall, unless he is an officer of the Public Service or a member of the Legislative Council or of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, be paid such fees as may be prescribed by regulation.

(b) by inserting next after section eighty-eight the New secs. following new sections:-

88A, 88B.

88A. A director or other officer of a building Certain society shall not, except where specifically autho-prohibited. rised by a special resolution of the society-

(a) sell any land to or act as agent for the sale of any land to a member of the society who proposes to pay for the same, in whole or in part, out of an advance made by the society; or

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- (b) undertake the erection of any building for a member of the society who proposes to pay for the same, in whole or in part, out of an advance made by the society: or
- (c) accept as payment in whole or in part of any moneys due to him by a member of the society the whole or part of any advance made by the society to such member.

88B. (1) This section shall apply to and in Power to respect of-

(a) every building society for the repay secretary ment of an advance to which the Co. societies lonial Treasurer has, either before or after after the commencement of the Housing (Further Provisions) Act, 1937, executed a guarantee under the Government Guarantees Act, 1934, or under that Act as amended by subsequent Acts; and

(b) every building society with which the Colonial Treasurer has, either before or after the commencement of the Housing (Further Provisions) Act, 1937, entered into an agreement under section 17A of this Act, whether as originally enacted or as amended from time to time.

(2) The Minister may appoint a person to hold an inquiry and to report to the cooperative building advisory committee with respect to-

> (a) any matter relating to the carrying out of the provisions of this or any other Act conferring powers or imposing duties on a building society to which this section applies; or

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- (b) any act or omission of any director or secretary of a building society to which this section applies-such act or omission having relation to the carrying out of the provisions of this or any other Act conferring powers or imposing duties on the building society or to the office or position held by the director or secretary or to the powers or duties of that office or position.
- (3) For the purposes of any such inquiry the person holding the inquiry shall have the powers, authorities, protections and immunities conferred on a commissioner by Division 1 of Part II of the Royal Commissions Acts, 1923-1934, and shall be deemed to be a sole commissioner within the meaning of that Division.

The provisions of the Royal Commissions Acts, 1923-1934, with the exception of section thirteen and of Division 2 of Part II, shall, mutatis mutandis, apply to the inquiry and to any witness or person summoned by or appearing before the person holding the inquiry.

(4) The co-operative building advisory committee may, after consideration of the report of the person holding an inquiry under this section, direct that the office or position in a building society of the director or secretary to whom the report relates shall be vacated, and that such director shall not be eligible to hold office as a director of or (as the case may require) that such secretary shall not be eligible for appointment or employment as the secretary of that building society.

The office or position shall be deemed to have become vacant as from the date upon which notices, addressed to the director or secretary to whom the same relates and to the society of which he is a director or the secretary, as the

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case may be, and signed by the chairman and executive member of the Co-operative Building Advisory Committee, of the direction of that committee, are delivered at or posted to the registered office of the building society.

- (5) Every director or secretary of a building society to which this section applies shall, whether he was elected or appointed to such office or position before, or is so elected or appointed after, the commencement of the Housing (Further Provisions) Act, 1937, hold his office or position subject to the provisions of this section.
- 12. (1) The Co-operation Act, 1923-1936, as amended Further amended— Act No. 1, 1924.
 - (a) by inserting at the end of subsection ten of sec- Sec. 47. tion forty-seven the following proviso:— (Shares.)

Provided that where a society has made a loan to a member and the number of shares held by such member has exceeded, or at any time exceeds, the number permitted by or under this subsection, such member shall, until the amount lent to him has been repaid to the society with interest thereon, be liable to make to the society the payments which he would be liable to make if all such shares were lawfully held by him and no security for the repayment of such loan taken by the society shall be affected by any contravention of this subsection.

- (b) (i) by omitting subsection one of section sixty- Sec. 65.

 five and by inserting in lieu thereof the fol- (Borrowing powers.)
 - (1) (a) Where a society is authorised by its rules to raise money on loan the society may raise the money in such manner as the society may think fit, and in particular by legal or equitable mortgage charged upon the undertaking of the society or upon all

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or any part of the property and rights (both present and future) of the society, including its uncalled or unpaid capital, subscriptions, loan payments and other moneys, or by the issue of bonds.

(b) A society shall not be deemed to be authorised to receive money on deposit unless, by its rules, it is expressly authorised to receive money on deposit.

(ii) by inserting in subsection two of the same section after the word "financial" the word "or";

(c) (i) by inserting in subsection three of section Sec. 66.
sixty-six after the word "bank" the words (Loans and
"or any society registered under the
Friendly Societies Act, 1912-1935";

(ii) by omitting from subsection (7A) of the same section the words "during such period" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "or if all deposits received have been repaid at the time of the loan";

(iii) by inserting at the end of subsection (7B) of the same section the following paragraph:—

For the purposes of this subsection a bond shall not include any instrument which makes any property liable, whether specifically or otherwise, to any bank or any society registered under the Friendly Societies Act, 1912-1935, or any financial or trading corporation, or liable specifically to any other person as security for money raised on loan or received on deposit.

(iv) by omitting subsection twelve of the same section and by inserting in lieu thereof the following subsection:—

(12) No member or other person lending money to or depositing money with a society shall be bound to see to the application thereof or be in any way affected or projudiced by the fact that such society, in borrowing

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borrowing such money or receiving such deposit, has contravened the provisions of this or any other section of this Act or the rules of the society.

- (d) by inserting at the end of section eighty the sec. 80.

 following new subsection:

 (Special resolution.)
- (4) A certificate of registration of any special resolution or of any alteration of the rules of a society given by the registrar shall, in favour of any person advancing money to the society on the faith of such certificate, or in favour of any guarantor of any such advance, be conclusive evidence that such resolution was duly passed or such alteration in the rules was duly made as the case may be.
 - (e) (i) by inserting in section one hundred and thir- sec. 113.

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 the society";
- 20 (ii) by inserting in the same section after the words "of this Act" where secondly occurring the words "or of the rules of the society."
- (2) Subsection one of this section shall be deemed 25 to have commenced on the thirty-first day of December, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-four.

PART V.

AMENDMENT OF HOUSING OF THE UNEMPLOYED ACT, 1934-1936.

30 13. This Part of this Act shall be deemed to have Commence commenced on the twenty-ninth day of June, one thou ment of Part V. sand nine hundred and thirty-four.

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	14. (1) The Housing of the Unemployed Act, 1934-1936, is amended—	of Act No.	
	(a) by inserting next after section six the following	New sec. 6A.	
5	new section:— 6A. (1) The trust may, from time to time by resolution, delegate such of the powers, authorized.	Delegation.	
	rities, duties or functions of the trust or of the chairman as are specified in the resolution—		
10	(a) to any member of the trust;(b) to any officer appointed under subsection two of section six of this Act;		
	(c) to any officer or employee of whose services the trust makes use pursuant to subsection one of section six of this		
15	Act.		
	(2) Any such delegation may be made either generally or for any particular case or class of cases.		
20	(3) Any person, when acting within the scope of any such delegation to him, shall be deemed to be the trust or the chairman as the	I in	
	case may be.		
25	(4) Any instrument necessary to be executed and any notice, order, summons or other like document requiring authentication for the		
20	purpose of the exercise or discharge of any power, authority, duty or function delegated to any person under this section, shall be suf-		
30	ficiently executed or authenticated, as the case may be, if signed by such person in such a way as to show that he does so under and in pursuance of the delegation.		
	(5) The trust may by resolution revoke any delegation made under this section.		
35	(b) by inserting at the end of section eight the following new subsection:—	Sec. 8. (Powers of trust.)	
	(3) The trust may, from time to time, upon such conditions as may be determined by it, provide assistance of whatever nature it may		
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person in necessitous circumstances in connection with the erection, improvement or repair of any building used or intended to be used as a home for such person and his family.

(c) by inserting at the end of section nine the fol-sec. 9. lowing new subsection:-

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- (4) The trust may, from time to time, upon trust.) such conditions as may be determined by it, effect such improvements or repairs as it may deem necessary to-
 - (a) any building on land which is vested in or leased by the trust; or
 - (b) any building on land which has been let, leased or sold by the trust under this section; or
 - (c) any building which has been erected, repaired or improved with materials supplied by the trust or purchased with moneys advanced by the trust under and in accordance with this Act.

(2) The Housing of the Unemployed Act, 1934-1936, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the Housing of the Unemployed Act, 1934-1937.

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25	Date.	Debtor.	Creditor.	Amount guaranteed.
30	16th Dec., 1936	The Organising Council of the Australian British Empire Games Association.	Bank of Aus-	10,000
	29th Sep., 1937	Port Kembla Co-operative Building Society Limited.		63,000
35	29th Sep., 1937	Port Kembla Brick Co-operative Build- ing Society Limited.		34,000

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. R. McCOURT,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 10 December, 1937, A.M.

New South Wales.



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Act No. , 1937.

An Act to make further provisions in relation to housing; to validate certain matters; to amend the Housing Improvement Act, 1936; the Government Guarantees Act, 1934, the Co-operation Act, 1923–1936, the Housing of the Unemployed Act, 1934-1936, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

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:—

PART I.

PRELIMINARY.

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the "Housing Short title. (Further Provisions) Act, 1937." 61047 126-A

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- (2) This Act is divided into Parts as follows:—
- PART I.—PRELIMINARY.
- PART II.—AMENDMENT OF HOUSING IMPROVEMENT ACT, 1936, AND CERTAIN OTHER ACTS.
- 5 PART III.—AMENDMENT OF GOVERNMENT GUARANтеез Аст, 1934.
 - PART IV.—AMENDMENT OF CO-OPERATION ACT, 1923-1936.
- PART V.—AMENDMENT OF HOUSING OF 10 UNEMPLOYED ACT, 1934-1936.

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PART II.

AMENDMENT OF HOUSING IMPROVEMENT ACT, 1936, AND CERTAIN OTHER ACTS.

- 2. The Housing Improvement Act, 1936, as amended Citation. by this Act, may be cited as the Housing Improvement Act, 1936-1937.
- 3. (1) The Housing Improvement Act, 1936, is Amendment of amended by inserting next after Part V the following 1936. 20 new Parts:-

New Parts VA and VB.

PART VA.

Erskineville Housing Scheme.

Division 1.—Construction of certain works.

14A. (1) (a) The carrying out on the land Certain work 25 described in the First Schedule to this Act of the work referred to in the Second Schedule to this Act is hereby sanctioned.

(b) The said work shall be deemed to be an authorised work within the meaning of the 30 Public Works Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts.

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(c) The Housing Improvement Board is empowered to carry out the said work and shall be the constructing authority for the same within the meaning of the said Act as so amended and shall enter into such contracts and take all such necessary steps for the proper execution thereof as such authority may think proper.

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- (d) The provisions of the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts, sections thirty-four, thirty-five, thirty-six and thirty-seven excepted, shall apply to and in respect of the said work.
 - (2) Without prejudice to the generality of subsection one of this section the provisions of section thirty-eight of the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts, shall apply to and in respect of any contract referred to in paragraph (c) of subsection one of this section.
 - 14B. (1) The cost of carrying out so much of the cost. said work as is referred to in Part One of the Second Schedule to this Act (exclusive of land resumptions) is estimated at fifty-four thousand pounds.
- (2) The cost of carrying out so much of the said work as is referred to in Part Two of the Second Schedule to this Act (exclusive of land resumptions) is estimated at fifteen thousand pounds.
 - (3) The cost of carrying out so much of the said work as is referred to in Part Three of the Second Schedule to this Act (exclusive of land resumptions) is estimated at five hundred pounds.
 - (4) The respective estimated costs referred to in this section shall not under any circumstances be exceeded by more than ten per centum.

Division 2.—Care, control and management of certain works.

14c. The board shall have the care, control and care, management of so much of the work referred to in control and management.

the Second Schedule to this Act as consists of dwellings and ancillary buildings and works constructed on the portion of land referred to in Part One of that Schedule.

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Division into effect the board may, from time to time and notwithstanding anything contained in any other Act, take such steps, provide such equipment, and carry out such works and operations (including works of maintenance and repair) as may be necessary or as it may think desirable.

(2) Without prejudice to the generality of subsection one of this section the board may let or may, with the approval of the Governor, sell or otherwise dispose of the land or any part thereof upon which any of the works referred to in section 14c of this Act are constructed.

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Any such letting may be made at such rent (whether the same is the best rent that can reasonably be obtained or not) and for such term and subject to such covenants and conditions as the board, in its absolute discretion, may from time to time determine.

14E. (1) Upon completion of the works referred Park lands. to in Part Two of the Second Schedule to this Act, the Governor shall notify in the Gazette that such works are complete.

(2) On the date of the publication in the Gazette of any such notification—

- (a) the land upon which the works referred to in the notification have been carried out shall become Crown land within the meaning of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, as amended by subsequent Acts; and
- (b) such land shall be deemed to be dedicated under the said Act as so amended for the purposes of public recreation; and
- (c) the board shall have the care, control and management of such land and shall continue to have such care, control and management until

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until the Governor by proclamation in the Gazette, pursuant to section three hundred and forty-five of the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended by subsequent Acts, charges the council of the area with the care, control and management of such land.

(3) Where the board has the care, control and management of any land pursuant to this section—

- (a) the board shall have and may exercise and discharge, in relation to such land, all or any of the powers, authorities, duties and functions which may be exercised and discharged under the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended by subsequent Acts, by a council in relation to a public reserve, the care, control and management of which is placed in the council under Part XIII of the said Act as so amended;
- (b) the Governor may make regulations in relation to such land prescribing all such matters and things as may be prescribed by ordinance under the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended by subsequent Acts, in relation to a public reserve, the care, control and management of which is placed in a council under Part XIII of the said Act as so amended.

All regulations made under this subsection shall—

- (i) be published in the Gazette;
- (ii) take effect from the date of such publication or from a later date to be specified in the regulations; and

(iii) be laid before both Houses of Parliament within fourteen sitting days after the publication thereof if Parliament is in session, and if not, then within fourteen sitting days after the commencement of the next session.

If either House of Parliament passes a resolution of which notice has been given at any time within fifteen sittings days after such regulations have been

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been laid before such House disallowing any regulation or part thereof, such regulation or part shall thereupon cease to have effect.

14F. Where land is acquired by the board Exemption pursuant to this Part of this Act, no rate shall be made or levied under the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended by subsequent Acts, in respect of the land so acquired.

14g. On and from the day upon which that portion Rights, of the land described in the First Schedule to this liabilities and Act which is referred to in Part Three of the Second property. Schedule to this Act is acquired by the board the following provisions shall have effect:—

- (a) The body corporate known as The Trustees of Erskineville Park shall be and the same is hereby dissolved, and the persons who, immediately before the said day, were the members of such body corporate shall cease to hold office as such.
- (b) All property (other than the land so acquired) and all right and interest therein which, immediately before the said day, is vested in or belongs to The Trustees of Erskineville Park, shall vest in and belong to the board.
 - (c) All moneys, liquidated and unliquidated claims which, immediately before the said day, are payable to or recoverable by The Trustees of Erskineville Park, shall be moneys, liquidated and unliquidated claims payable to and recoverable by the board.
 - (d) All suits, actions and proceedings pending immediately before the said day at the suit of The Trustees of Erskineville Park, shall be suits, actions and proceedings pending at the suit of the board.
 - (e) The board may pursue the same remedies for the recovery of any such moneys and claims and for the prosecution of such suits, actions

actions and proceedings as The Trustees of Erskineville Park might have done but for this Act.

- (f) The board may enforce and realise any security or charge existing immediately before the said day in favour of The Trustees of Erskineville Park in respect of any such moneys and claims as if such security or charge were existing in favour of the board.
- (g) All debts due and moneys payable by and all claims, liquidated and unliquidated, recoverable against The Trustees of Erskineville Park shall be debts due and moneys payable by and claims recoverable against the board:

Provided that the liability of the board in respect of such debts, moneys and claims shall be limited to the amount of the assets of The Trustees of Erskineville Park which are vested in or recovered by the board under this section.

PART VB.

FINANCE.

14н. (1) There shall be constituted an account in Housing 25 Special Deposits Account to be called the "Housing Improvement Improvement Account."

Account.

- (2) The account shall be applied for the purpose of the administration and execution of this Act and for no other purpose whatsoever.
- 141. (1) There shall be paid to the credit of the Assets of account. account-

(a) all moneys advanced to the board by the Colonial Treasurer or provided by Parliament for the purposes of the board;

(b) all moneys received by the board from any other source.

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- (2) The account may be applied to any of Application the following purposes: of account.
 - (a) the administrative expenses of the board;
 - (b) the costs and expenses incurred in carrying out any of the powers, authorities, duties and functions conferred and imposed on the board by or under this Act;
 - (c) any purpose directed or authorised by cr under this Act for the application of the account.
- (3) The account shall be operated on in the manner prescribed.

141. The board shall cause to be kept proper books Accounts. of account, and shall, as soon as practicable after the thirtieth day of June in each year, prepare and 15 transmit to the Minister for presentation to Parliament a statement of accounts in a form approved by the Auditor-General, exhibiting a true and correct view of the financial position and transactions of 20 the board.

14k. The accounts of the board shall be audited Audit. by the Auditor-General, who shall have, in respect thereof, all the powers conferred on the Auditor-General by any law now or hereafter to be in force relating to the audit of public accounts; and the Audit Act, 1902, and Acts amending the same, shall apply to the board, the members of the board and the officers and employees of the board in the same manner as it applies to accounting officers of public departments.

(2) The Housing Improvement Act, 1936, is further Further amended by inserting after section sixteen the following amendment of Act No. 1933. new Schedules:-

New Schedules.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

All that piece or parcel of land known as Erskineville Park. 35 parishes of Alexandria and Petersham, county of Cumberland, bounded by Mitchell-road, Ashmore-street, Binning-street, Swanson-street and Copeland-street.

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SECOND SCHEDULE.

The works respectively referred to in Part One, Part Two and Part Three of this Schedule are subject to such modifications as may be considered desirable by the Board.

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PART ONE.

The construction upon the north-western portion (comprising approximately four acres) of the land described in the First Schedule to this Act, of fifty-six dwellings (including the provision of equipment therefor) and of ancillary buildings and works.

PART Two.

The construction upon the eastern portion (comprising approximately eleven and one-half acres) of the land described in the First Schedule to this Act, of such works (including the 15 provision of a sports ground) as may be necessary to render that portion suitable for use by the public for purposes of public recreation, convenience, health or enjoyment.

PART THREE.

The construction upon that portion (comprising approximately 20 seven acres) of the land described in the First Schedule to this Act which is not comprised in the portions referred to in Part One and Part Two of this Schedule of such works as may be necessary to render that portion suitable for use by the public for purposes of public recreation, convenience, health or enjoy-25 ment.

(3) The Housing Improvement Act, 1936, is fur-Further ther amended—

amendment of Act No.

(a) by inserting in section two next after the 59, 1936. matter relating to Part V the following words Sec. 2. and symbols:

(Division into Parts.)

PART VA—Erskineville Housing Scheme.

PART VB-FINANCE.

(b) by inserting at the end of the same section the word-

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(4) The Housing Improvement Act. 1936, is further Further amended-

(a) by omitting from paragraph (a) of subsection six of section five the words "to a member";

amendment of Act No. 59, 1936.

Sec. 5. (Powers of board.)

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- (b) by inserting at the end of the same paragraph the words-
 - (i) to a member; or

(ii) to the secretary or any other officer appointed under subsection one of section eight of this Act; or

(iii) to any officer, servant or employee of whose services the board makes use pursuant to subsection four of section eight of this Act.

(c) by omitting from paragraph (b) of the same subsection the words "A member" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "Any person."

4. (1) The Public Health Act, 1902-1932, 15 amended—

is Amendment of Act No. 30, 1902.

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(a) (i) by omitting from subsection one of section Sec. 58. fifty-eight the words "that any house or other building within its area is unfit or unsafe for human habitation or occupation, such local authority may" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "or to the Board that any house or other building within the area of the local authority is unfit or unsafe for human habitation or occupation or has become ruinous and dangerous (that is to say ruinous to such an extent that the continuance of such house or building is dangerous to the public or to the inhabitants of the neighbouring dwelling-houses) such local authority or the Board shall";

(ii) by inserting in the same subsection after the words "is not fit for human habitation or occupation" the words "or is in a ruinous and dangerous condition";

(iii) by inserting in the same subsection after the words "so as to render it fit for human habitation or occupation" the words "or eliminate the ruinous and dangerous condition (as the case may be)";

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- (b) (i) by inserting in subsection one of section Sec. 61.
 sixty-one after the word "dwelling- (Demolition houses" the words "or (as the case may be) that the ruinous and dangerous condition has not been eliminated and that the necessary steps are not being taken to eliminate such condition";
- (ii) by inserting in subsection three of the same section after the word "occupation" the words "or (as the case may be) the works necessary to eliminate the ruinous and dangerous condition of the house or building."

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(2) The Public Health Act, 1902-1932, as amended Citation. by this Act, may be cited as the Public Health Act, 1902-15 1937.

PART III.

Amendment of Government Guarantees Act, 1934.

- 5. The Government Guarantees Act, 1934, as amended Citation. by this Act, may be cited as the Government Guarantees 20 Act, 1934-1937.
 - 6. (1) The Government Guarantees Act, 1934, is Amendment of Act No. 57, 1934.
- (a) (i) by inserting in subsection two of section Sec. 3.

 three after the word "bank" where firstly to Treasurer occurring the words "or of any society to give registered under the Friendly Societies guarantees.)

 Act, 1912-1935 (in this Act referred to as 'friendly society') or of any other body of persons, corporate or unincorporate, approved by the Minister (in this Act referred to as 'approved body')";
 - (ii) by omitting from the same subsection the words "to be made by the bank—" and by inserting

inserting in lieu thereof the words "made or to be made by the bank, friendly society or approved body, as the case may be,-"

- (iii) by inserting at the end of the same section the following new subsection:
 - (6) Any guarantee executed by the Colonial Treasurer under this Act may be made by way of increase of the amount of the Colonial Treasurer's liability as stated in a previous guarantee given under this Act, and may be made upon such terms and conditions as are prescribed or as the Colonial Treasurer may determine.

The enactment of this subsection shall not affect subsections one, two and three of this section.

(b) (i) by inserting in section four after the word Sec. 4. "bank" wherever occurring the words (Provisions relating to "friendly society or approved body as the guarantees.) case may be";

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- (ii) by inserting in paragraph (d) of the same section after the word "hold" the words "or retain and hold";
- (iii) by inserting in paragraph (e) of the same section after the words "marketing board or a society" the words "(other than a building society)";
- (iv) by inserting at the end of the same paragraph the words "or where the principal debtor is a building society within the meaning of the said Act unless the bank, friendly society or approved body, as the case may be, shall, under the provisions of the securities executed by the building society in favour of the bank, friendly society or approved body as the case may be, or of any of such securities, have become entitled to appoint a receiver of the undertaking and assets of the building society."

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- (2) The amendments made by subsection one of this section shall be deemed to have commenced on the thirty-first day of December, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-four, and shall apply to all guarantees exe-5 cuted on or after that date notwithstanding anything therein contained.
 - (3) The Government Guarantees Act, 1934, is Further further amended—

amendment of Act No. 57, 1934. Sec. 3. (Authority to give

guarantees.)

(a) by omitting from subsection two of section three the figures "1923-1932" and by inserting in lieu thereof the following figures and new to Treasurer proviso:-

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Provided that where any such guarantee is for the repayment of any advance made to a building society within the meaning of the Co-operation Act, 1923-1937, it shall not be executed except upon the recommendation of the Co-operative Building Advisory Committee constituted under that Act;"

- (b) by inserting at the end of the same section the following new subsection:-
- (6) The approval of the Governor to the execution of any guarantee under this section shall be conclusive evidence that the guarantee has not been entered into in contravention of this section.

7. (1) The action of the Governor and Executive Validation. Council in authorising the giving and of the Colonial 30 Treasurer in giving the guarantees set out in the Schedule to this Act is hereby validated.

(2) No guarantee so given shall be held to be void merely on the ground that the person by whom such guarantee was so given had no power to create a liability 35 enforceable against the Government and to be discharged out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

- (3) The Government Guarantees Act, 1934, 1S Further further amended— Act No. 57, 1934.
 - (a) by inserting in section three after the words Sec. 3. "validated by this Act" wherever occurring the (Authority words "or by the Housing (Further Provisions) Act, 1937";

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- (b) by inserting in section four after the words sec. 4. "validated by this Act" the words "or by the (Provisions Housing (Further Provisions) Act, 1937";
 - relating to guarantees.)
- (c) by inserting in section five after the words "by sec. 5. this Act" the words "or validated by the Housing (Further Provisions) Act, 1937."

(Contingent appropriation.)

PART IV.

AMENDMENT OF CO-OPERATION ACT, 1923-1936.

- 8. The Co-operation Act, 1923-1936, as amended by Citation. subsequent Acts and by this Act, may be cited as the Co-operation Act, 1923-1937.
 - 9. The Co-operation Act, 1923-1936, as amended by Amendment of Act No. 1, subsequent Acts, is amended— 1924.
 - (a) by omitting paragraph (c) of subsection one of Sec. 17A. section 17A and by inserting in lieu thereof the (Undertakings by following paragraph:— Treasurer.)
 - (c) the amount proposed to be lent reduced by the value of the share capital of the member or by the sum of one hundred pounds whichever is the smaller sum does not exceed nine hundred pounds; and
 - (b) by inserting at the end of the same subsection the following words and new subsection:—
- The instrument evidencing any agreement 30 entered into under this section may be signed by the Colonial Treasurer or for and on behalf of the Colonial Treasurer by any other Minister of the Crown.

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(1A) The value of the share capital of a member of any society shall, for the purposes of this section, be calculated in such manner as the Co-operative Building Advisory Committee constituted under this Act may direct.

Any such direction shall be given in relation to the society specified in the direction and shall not be altered while any agreement with that society under this section has effect.

- (c) by inserting in subsection two of the same section after the words "the Governor to" the words "enter into";
 - (d) by inserting in subsection four of the same section after the words "the Governor to" the words "enter into";
 - (e) by omitting from the same subsection the word "subsection" and by inserting in lieu thereof the word "section".
- 10. (1) The Co-operation Act, 1923-1936, as amended Further 20 by subsequent Acts, is further amended—
 - (a) by omitting from paragraph (d) of subsection Sec. 17A. one of section 17A the words "paid up value of (Underthe members share capital" and by inserting takings by Ireasurer.) in lieu thereof the words "value of the share capital of the member";

- (b) by omitting from the same subsection the words "paid up value of the member's share capital is in excess of" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "value of the share capital of the member exceeded";
- (c) by inserting at the end of the same subsection the following new paragraph:

Any such agreement shall operate and have effect until the registrar certifies to the Governor that the amount owing to the society by the member in respect of the loan to which the agreement relates, reduced by the value of the share capital of the member is not more than

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than sixty-six and two-thirds per centum of the value of the land and dwelling-house as ascertained in accordance with paragraph (d) of this subsection.

- 5 (2) The amendments made by subsection one of this section shall be deemed to have commenced upon the second day of February, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-seven, and shall apply to all agreements entered into on or after that date notwithstanding anything
- 10 therein contained; and the obligations of the Colonial Treasurer under any such agreement shall be varied accordingly; but no such variation shall operate to increase the limit of the amount of the Colonial Treasurer's liability as stated in the agreement.
- 15 11. The Co-operation Act, 1923-1936, as amended by Further amended—

 subsequent Acts, is further amended—

 Act No. 1, 1924.
 - (a) by inserting next after section eighty-four the New sec. following new section:—
- 84a. (1) This section shall apply to and in respect of—
 - (a) every building society for the repayment of an advance to which the appoint director Colonial Treasurer has, either before of certain or after the commencement of the Housing (Further Provisions) Act, 1937, executed a guarantee under the Government Guarantees Act, 1934, or under that Act as amended by subsequent Acts; and
 - (b) every building society with which the Colonial Treasurer has, either before or after the commencement of the Housing (Further Provisions) Act, 1937, entered into an agreement under section 17A of this Act, whether as originally enacted or as amended from time to time.

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- (2) The Governor may, from time to time, by notification published in the Gazette, appoint a person to be a director of any building society to which this section applies.
- (3) The provisions of this Act (other then this section) and of the rules of the building society relating to the qualification, disqualification, remuneration, removal from office and term of office of directors and to the vacation of office by directors shall not apply to and in respect of a director appointed under this section.
 - (4) A director appointed under this section shall hold office as an additional director and shall not be counted in ascertaining the number of directors for the election of whom provision is made in the rules of the society.
 - (5) Subject to subsection three of this section a director appointed under this section shall have all the powers, rights, authorities, functions, privileges, immunities, duties, obligations and liabilities of a director elected in accordance with the rules of the society.
 - (6) A director appointed under this section shall, unless he is an officer of the Public Service or a member of the Legislative Council or of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, be paid such fees as may be prescribed by regulation.
- 30 (b) by inserting next after section eighty-eight the New sccs. following new sections:—

88a. A director or other officer of a building Certain society shall not, except where specifically autho-prohibited. rised by a special resolution of the society—

(a) sell any land to or act as agent for the sale of any land to a member of the society who proposes to pay for the same, in whole or in part, out of an advance made by the society; or

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- (b) undertake the erection of any building for a member of the society who proposes to pay for the same, in whole or in part, out of an advance made by the society; or
- (c) accept as payment in whole or in part of any moneys due to him by a member of the society the whole or part of any advance made by the society to such member.

88B. (1) This section shall apply to and in Power to respect of-

(a) every building society for the repayment of an advance to which the Co- societies lonial Treasurer has, either before or after after the commencement of the Housing (Further Provisions) Act, 1937, executed a guarantee under the Government Guarantees Act, 1934, or under that Act as amended by subsequent Acts; and

(b) every building society with which the Colonial Treasurer has, either before or after the commencement of the Housing (Further Provisions) Act. 1937, entered into an agreement under section 17A of this Act, whether as originally enacted or as amended from time to time.

- (2) The Minister may appoint a person to hold an inquiry and to report to the cooperative building advisory committee with respect to-
 - (a) any matter relating to the carrying out of the provisions of this or any other Act conferring powers or imposing duties on a building society to which this section applies; or

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(b) any act or omission of any director or secretary of a building society to which this section applies—such act or omission having relation to the carrying out of the provisions of this or any other Act conferring powers or imposing duties on the building society or to the office or position held by the director or secretary or to the powers or duties of that office or position.

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(3) For the purposes of any such inquiry the person holding the inquiry shall have the powers, authorities, protections and immunities conferred on a commissioner by Division 1 of Part II of the Royal Commissions Acts, 1923-1934, and shall be deemed to be a sole commissioner within the meaning of that Division.

The provisions of the Royal Commissions Acts, 1923-1934, with the exception of section thirteen and of Division 2 of Part II, shall, mutatis mutandis, apply to the inquiry and to any witness or person summoned by or appearing before the person holding the inquiry.

(4) The co-operative building advisory committee may, after consideration of the report of the person holding an inquiry under this section, direct that the office or position in a building society of the director or secretary to whom the report relates shall be vacated, and that such director shall not be eligible to hold office as a director of or (as the case may require) that such secretary shall not be eligible for appointment or employment as the secretary of that building society.

The office or position shall be deemed to have become vacant as from the date upon which notices, addressed to the director or secretary to whom the same relates and to the society of which he is a director or the secretary, as the

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case may be, and signed by the chairman and executive member of the Co-operative Building Advisory Committee, of the direction of that committee, are delivered at or posted to the registered office of the building society.

(5) Every director or secretary of a building society to which this section applies shall, whether he was elected or appointed to such office or position before, or is so elected or appointed after, the commencement of the Housing (Further Provisions) Act, 1937, hold his office or position subject to the provisions of this section.

12. (1) The Co-operation Act, 1923-1936, as amended Further amended— Subsequent Acts, is further amended— Act No. 1, 1924, 15 by subsequent Acts, is further amended—

> (a) by inserting at the end of subsection ten of sec- Sec. 47. tion forty-seven the following proviso: (Shares.)

Provided that where a society has made a loan to a member and the number of shares held by such member has exceeded, or at any time exceeds, the number permitted by or under this subsection, such member shall, until the amount lent to him has been repaid to the society with interest thereon, be liable to make to the society the payments which he would be liable to make if all such shares were lawfully held by him and no security for the repayment of such loan taken by the society shall be affected by any contravention of this subsection.

(b) (i) by omitting subsection one of section sixty. Sec. 65. 30 five and by inserting in lieu thereof the fol- (Borrowing lowing subsection:—

(1) (a) Where a society is authorised by its rules to raise money on loan the society may raise the money in such manner as the society may think fit, and in particular by legal or equitable mortgage charged upon the undertaking of the society or upon all

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or any part of the property and rights (both present and future) of the society, including its uncalled or unpaid capital, subscriptions, loan payments and other moneys, or by the issue of bonds.

- (b) A society shall not be deemed to be authorised to receive money on deposit unless, by its rules, it is expressly authorised to receive money on deposit.
- (ii) by inserting in subsection two of the same section after the word "financial" the word "or";
- (c) (i) by inserting in subsection three of section Sec. 66. sixty-six after the word "bank" the words (Loans and "or any society registered under the deposits.) Friendly Societies Act, 1912-1935";
 - (ii) by omitting from subsection (7A) of the same section the words "during such period" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "or if all deposits received have been repaid at the time of the loan":

(iii) by inserting at the end of subsection (7B) of

- the same section the following paragraph:—
 For the purposes of this subsection a bond shall not include any instrument which makes any property liable, whether specifically or otherwise, to any bank or any society registered under the Friendly Societies Act, 1912-1935, or any financial or trading corporation, or liable specifically to any other person as security for money raised on loan or received on deposit.
- (iv) by omitting subsection twelve of the same section and by inserting in lieu thereof the following subsection:—
 - (12) No member or other person lending money to or depositing money with a society shall be bound to see to the application thereof or be in any way affected or prejudiced by the fact that such society, in borrowing

borrowing such money or receiving such deposit, has contravened the provisions of this or any other section of this Act or the rules of the society.

- (d) by inserting at the end of section eighty the sec. 80.

 following new subsection:—

 (Special resolution.)
- (4) A certificate of registration of any special resolution or of any alteration of the rules of a society given by the registrar shall, in favour of any person advancing money to the society on the faith of such certificate, or in favour of any guarantor of any such advance, be conclusive evidence that such resolution was duly passed or such alteration in the rules was duly made as the case may be.
 - (e) (i) by inserting in section one hundred and thir- sec. 113.

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 the society";
- 20 (ii) by inserting in the same section after the words "of this Act" where secondly occurring the words "or of the rules of the society."
- (2) Subsection one of this section shall be deemed 25 to have commenced on the thirty-first day of December, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-four.

PART V.

AMENDMENT OF HOUSING OF THE UNEMPLOYED ACT, 1934-1936.

30 13. This Part of this Act shall be deemed to have Commence-commenced on the twenty-ninth day of June, one thou ment of Part V. sand nine hundred and thirty-four.

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	14. (1) The Housing of the Unemployed Act, 1934-1936, is amended—	of Act No. 4, 1934.
	(a) by inserting next after section six the following	New sec. 6A.
5	new section:— 6A. (1) The trust may, from time to time by resolution, delegate such of the powers, authorities, duties or functions of the trust or of the	Delegation.
10	chairman as are specified in the resolution— (a) to any member of the trust;	
15	(c) to any officer or employee of whose services the trust makes use pursuant to subsection one of section six of this Act.	
10	(2) Any such delegation may be made either generally or for any particular case or class of cases. (3) Any person, when acting within the	
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25	(4) Any instrument necessary to be executed and any notice, order, summons or other like document requiring authentication for the purpose of the exercise or discharge of any power, authority, duty or function delegated to any person under this section, shall be suf-	
3 0	ficiently executed or authenticated, as the case may be, if signed by such person in such a way as to show that he does so under and in pursuance of the delegation. (5) The trust may by resolution revoke	
35	any delegation made under this section.(b) by inserting at the end of section eight the following new subsection:—	(Powers of
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person in necessitous circumstances in connection with the erection, improvement or repair of any building used or intended to be used as a home for such person and his family.

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- (4) The trust may, from time to time, upon trust.) such conditions as may be determined by it, effect such improvements or repairs as it may deem necessary to-
 - (a) any building on land which is vested in or leased by the trust; or
 - (b) any building on land which has been let, leased or sold by the trust under this section; or
 - (c) any building which has been erected, repaired or improved with materials supplied by the trust or purchased with moneys advanced by the trust under and in accordance with this Act.

(2) The Housing of the Unemployed Act, 1934-1936, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the Housing of the Unemployed Act, 1934-1937.

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25	Date.	Debtor.	Creditor.	Amount guaranteed.
37	16th Dec., 1936	The Organising Council of the Australian British Empire Games Association.	Bank of Aus-	£ 10,000
3	29th Sep., 1937	Port Kembla Co-opera- tive Building Society Limited.	Bank of New South Wales, Port Kembla Branch.	63,000
35	29th Sep., 1937	Port Kembla Brick Co-operative Build- ing Society Limited.	,	34,000

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Act No. 27, 1937.

An Act to make further provisions in relation to housing; to validate certain matters; to amend the Housing Improvement Act, 1936, the Government Guarantees Act, 1934, the Co-operation Act, 1923–1936, the Housing of the Unemployed Act, 1934–1936, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith. [Assented to, 17th December, 1937.]

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 T.

PRELIMINARY.

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the "Housing Shert title. (Further Provisions) Act, 1937."

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(2) This Act is divided into Parts as follows:---

PART I.—PRELIMINARY.

PART II.—Amendment of Housing Improvement Act, 1936, and certain other Acts.

PART III.—Amendment of Government Guarantees Act, 1934.

PART IV.—Amendment of Co-operation Act, 1923-1936.

PART V.—AMENDMENT OF HOUSING OF THE UNEMPLOYED ACT, 1934-1936.

SCHEDULE.

PART II.

AMENDMENT OF HOUSING IMPROVEMENT ACT, 1936, AND CERTAIN OTHER ACTS.

Citation.

2. The Housing Improvement Act, 1936, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the Housing Improvement Act, 1936-1937.

Amendment of Act No. 59, 1936. New Parts

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3. (1) The Housing Improvement Act, 1936, is amended by inserting next after Part V the following new Parts:—

PART VA.

Erskineville Housing Scheme.

Division 1.—Construction of certain works.

Certain work sanctioned.

14A. (1) (a) The carrying out on the land described in the First Schedule to this Act of the work referred to in the Second Schedule to this Act is hereby sanctioned.

(b) The said work shall be deemed to be an authorised work within the meaning of the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts.

(c)

- (c) The Housing Improvement Board is empowered to carry out the said work and shall be the constructing authority for the same within the meaning of the said Act as so amended and shall enter into such contracts and take all such necessary steps for the proper execution thereof as such authority may think proper.
- (d) The provisions of the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts, sections thirty-four, thirty-five, thirty-six and thirty-seven excepted, shall apply to and in respect of the said work.
- (2) Without prejudice to the generality of subsection one of this section the provisions of section thirty-eight of the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts, shall apply to and in respect of any contract referred to in paragraph (c) of subsection one of this section.
- 14B. (1) The cost of carrying out so much of the Cost. said work as is referred to in Part One of the Second Schedule to this Act (exclusive of land resumptions) is estimated at fifty-four thousand pounds.
- (2) The cost of carrying out so much of the said work as is referred to in Part Two of the Second Schedule to this Act (exclusive of land resumptions) is estimated at fifteen thousand pounds.
- (3) The cost of carrying out so much of the said work as is referred to in Part Three of the Second Schedule to this Act (exclusive of land resumptions) is estimated at five hundred pounds.
- (4) The respective estimated costs referred to in this section shall not under any circumstances be exceeded by more than ten per centum.

Division 2.—Care, control and management of certain works.

14c. The board shall have the care, control and care, control and management of so much of the work referred to in the the

the Second Schedule to this Act as consists of dwellings and ancillary buildings and works constructed on the portion of land referred to in Part One of that Schedule.

Powers of the board.

14D. (1) For the purposes of carrying this Division into effect the board may, from time to time and notwithstanding anything contained in any other Act, take such steps, provide such equipment, and carry out such works and operations (including works of maintenance and repair) as may be necessary or as it may think desirable.

(2) Without prejudice to the generality of subsection one of this section the board may let or may, with the approval of the Governor, sell or otherwise dispose of the land or any part thereof upon which any of the works referred to in section

14c of this Act are constructed.

Any such letting may be made at such rent (whether the same is the best rent that can reasonably be obtained or not) and for such term and subject to such covenants and conditions as the board, in its absolute discretion, may from time to time determine.

Park lands.

- 14E. (1) Upon completion of the works referred to in Part Two of the Second Schedule to this Act, the Governor shall notify in the Gazette that such works are complete.
- (2) On the date of the publication in the Gazette of any such notification—
 - (a) the land upon which the works referred to in the notification have been carried out shall become Crown land within the meaning of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, as amended by subsequent Acts; and

(b) such land shall be deemed to be dedicated under the said Act as so amended for the purposes of public recreation; and

(c) the board shall have the care, control and management of such land and shall continue to have such care, control and management

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until the Governor by proclamation in the Gazette, pursuant to section three hundred and forty-five of the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended by subsequent Acts, charges the council of the area with the care, control and management of such land.

- (3) Where the board has the care, control and management of any land pursuant to this section—
 - (a) the board shall have and may exercise and discharge, in relation to such land, all or any of the powers, authorities, duties and functions which may be exercised and discharged under the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended by subsequent Acts, by a council in relation to a public reserve, the care, control and management of which is placed in the council under Part XIII of the said Act as so amended:
 - (b) the Governor may make regulations in relation to such land prescribing all such matters and things as may be prescribed by ordinance under the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended by subsequent Acts, in relation to a public reserve, the care, control and management of which is placed in a council under Part XIII of the said Act as so amended.

All regulations made under this subsection shall—

(i) be published in the Gazette;

(ii) take effect from the date of such publication or from a later date to be specified in the regulations; and

(iii) be laid before both Houses of Parliament within fourteen sitting days after the publication thereof if Parliament is in session, and if not, then within fourteen sitting days after the commencement of the next session.

If either House of Parliament passes a resolution of which notice has been given at any time within fifteen sittings days after such regulations have

been laid before such House disallowing any regulation or part thereof, such regulation or part shall thereupon cease to have effect.

Exemption from rates.

14r. Where land is acquired by the board pursuant to this Part of this Act, no rate shall be made or levied under the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended by subsequent Acts, in respect of the land so acquired.

Rights, liabilities and property. 14g. On and from the day upon which that portion of the land described in the First Schedule to this Act which is referred to in Part Three of the Second Schedule to this Act is acquired by the board the following provisions shall have effect:—

- (a) The body corporate known as The Trustees of Erskineville Park shall be and the same is hereby dissolved, and the persons who, immediately before the said day, were the members of such body corporate shall cease to hold office as such.
- (b) All property (other than the land so acquired) and all right and interest therein which, immediately before the said day, is vested in or belongs to The Trustees of Erskineville Park, shall vest in and belong to the board.
- (c) All moneys, liquidated and unliquidated claims which, immediately before the said day, are payable to or recoverable by The Trustees of Erskineville Park, shall be moneys, liquidated and unliquidated claims payable to and recoverable by the board.
- (d) All suits, actions and proceedings pending immediately before the said day at the suit of The Trustees of Erskineville Park, shall be suits, actions and proceedings pending at the suit of the board.
- (e) The board may pursue the same remedies for the recovery of any such moneys and claims and for the prosecution of such suits,

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actions and proceedings as The Trustees of Erskineville Park might have done but for this Act.

- (f) The board may enforce and realise any security or charge existing immediately before the said day in favour of The Trustees of Erskineville Park in respect of any such moneys and claims as if such security or charge were existing in favour of the board.
- (g) All debts due and moneys payable by and all claims, liquidated and unliquidated, recoverable against The Trustees of Erskineville Park shall be debts due and moneys payable by and claims recoverable against the board:

Provided that the liability of the board in respect of such debts, moneys and claims shall be limited to the amount of the assets of The Trustees of Erskineville Park which are vested in or recovered by the board under this section.

PART VB.

FINANCE.

14H. (1) There shall be constituted an account in Housing Special Deposits Account to be called the "Housing Improve-Improvement Account."

Account.

- (2) The account shall be applied for the purpose of the administration and execution of this Act and for no other purpose whatsoever.
- 141. (1) There shall be paid to the credit of the Assets of account account-
 - (a) all moneys advanced to the board by the Colonial Treasurer or provided by Parliament for the purposes of the board;
 - (b) all moneys received by the board from any other source.

Application of account.

- (2) The account may be applied to any of the following purposes:—
 - (a) the administrative expenses of the board;
 - (b) the costs and expenses incurred in carrying out any of the powers, authorities, duties and functions conferred and imposed on the board by or under this Act;
 - (e) any purpose directed or authorised by or under this Act for the application of the account.
- (3) The account shall be operated on in the manner prescribed.

Accounts.

14J. The board shall cause to be kept proper books of account, and shall, as soon as practicable after the thirtieth day of June in each year, prepare and transmit to the Minister for presentation to Parliament a statement of accounts in a form approved by the Auditor-General, exhibiting a true and correct view of the financial position and transactions of the board.

Audit.

14κ. The accounts of the board shall be audited by the Auditor-General, who shall have, in respect thereof, all the powers conferred on the Auditor-General by any law now or hereafter to be in force relating to the audit of public accounts; and the Audit Act, 1902, and Acts amending the same, shall apply to the board, the members of the board and the officers and employees of the board in the same manner as it applies to accounting officers of public departments.

Further amendment of Act No. 59, 1936. New Schedules. (2) The Housing Improvement Act, 1936, is further amended by inserting after section sixteen the following new Schedules:—

FIRST SCHEDULE.

All that piece or parcel of land known as Erskineville Park, parishes of Alexandria and Petersham, county of Cumberland, bounded by Mitchell-road, Ashmore-street, Binning-street, Swanson-street and Copeland-street.

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SECOND SCHEDULE.

The works respectively referred to in Part One, Part Two and Part Three of this Schedule are subject to such modifications as may be considered desirable by the Board.

PART ONE.

The construction upon the north-western portion (comprising approximately four acres) of the land described in the First Schedule to this Act, of fifty-six dwellings (including the provision of equipment therefor) and of ancillary buildings and works.

PART Two.

The construction upon the eastern portion (comprising approximately eleven and one-half acres) of the land described in the First Schedule to this Act, of such works (including the provision of a sports ground) as may be necessary to render that portion suitable for use by the public for purposes of public recreation, convenience, health or enjoyment.

PART THREE.

The construction upon that portion (comprising approximately seven acres) of the land described in the First Schedule to this Act which is not comprised in the portions referred to in Part One and Part Two of this Schedule of such works as may be necessary to render that portion suitable for use by the public for purposes of public recreation, convenience, health or enjoyment.

(3) The Housing Improvement Act, 1936, is fur-Further ther amended-

amendment of Act No.

(a) by inserting in section two next after the 59,1936. matter relating to Part V the following words Sec. 2. and symbols:--

(Division into Parts.)

PART VA—Erskineville Housing Scheme.

PART VB-FINANCE.

(b) by inserting at the end of the same section the word-

"SCHEDULES."

(4) The Housing Improvement Act, 1936, is further Further amended-

(a) by omitting from paragraph (a) of subsection 59,1936. six of section five the words "to any member";

amendment of Act No.

(Powers (b) of board.)

- (b) by inserting at the end of the same paragraph the words—
 - (i) to a member; or
 - (ii) to the secretary or any other officer appointed under subsection one of section eight of this Act; or
 - (iii) to any officer, servant or employee of whose services the board makes use pursuant to subsection four of section eight of this Act.
- (c) by omitting from paragraph (b) of the same subsection the words "A member" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "Any person."

Amendment of Act No. 30, 1902.

Sec. 58. (Closing orders.)

- 4. (1) The Public Health Act, 1902-1932, is amended—
 - (a) (i) by omitting from subsection one of section fifty-eight the words "that any house or other building within its area is unfit or unsafe for human habitation or occupation, such local authority may" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "or to the Board that any house or other building within the area of the local authority is unfit or unsafe for human habitation or occupation or has become ruinous and dangerous (that is to say ruinous to such an extent that the continuance of such house or building is dangerous to the public or to the inhabitants of the neighbouring dwelling-houses) such local authority or the Board shall";
 - (ii) by inserting in the same subsection after the words "is not fit for human habitation or occupation" the words "or is in a ruinous and dangerous condition";
 - (iii) by inserting in the same subsection after the words "so as to render it fit for human habitation or occupation" the words "or eliminate the ruinous and dangerous condition (as the case may be)";

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- (iv) by omitting from the same subsection after the word "order" the word "may" and by inserting in lieu thereof the word "shall";
- (b) (i) by inserting in subsection one of section Sec. 61.
 sixty-one after the word "dwelling- (Demolition houses" the words "or (as the case may be) that the ruinous and dangerous condition has not been eliminated and that the necessary steps are not being taken to eliminate such condition";

(ii) by inserting in subsection three of the same section after the word "occupation" the words "or (as the case may be) the works necessary to eliminate the ruinous and dangerous condition of the house or building";

- (iii) by omitting from subsection one of section sixty-three the word "section" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "sections fifty-eight or".
- (2) The Public Health Act, 1902-1932, as amended Citation. by this Act, may be cited as the Public Health Act, 1902-1937.

PART III.

AMENDMENT OF GOVERNMENT GUARANTEES ACT, 1934.

- 5. The Government Guarantees Act, 1934, as amended citation. by this Act, may be cited as the Government Guarantees Act, 1934-1937.
- 6. (1) The Government Guarantees Act, 1934, is Amendment of Act No. 57, 1934.
 - (a) (i) by inserting in subsection two of section Sec. 3.

 three after the word "bank" where firstly occurring the words "or of any society to Treasurer registered under the Friendly Societies guarantees.)

 Act, 1912-1935 (in this Act referred to as "friendly society") or of any other body of persons, corporate or unincorporate, approved by the Minister (in this Act referred to as 'approved body')";

 (ii)

- (ii) by omitting from the same subsection the words "to be made by the bank—" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "made or to be made by the bank, friendly society or approved body, as the case may be,—"
- (iii) by inserting at the end of the same section the following new subsection:—
 - (6) Any guarantee executed by the Colonial Treasurer under this Act may be made by way of increase of the amount of the Colonial Treasurer's liability as stated in a previous guarantee given under this Act, and may be made upon such terms and conditions as are prescribed or as the Colonial Treasurer may determine.

The enactment of this subsection shall not affect subsections one, two and three of this section.

- (b) (i) by inserting in section four after the word "bank" wherever occurring the words "friendly society or approved body as the case may be";
 - (ii) by inserting in paragraph (d) of the same section after the word "hold" the words "or retain and hold";
 - (iii) by inserting in paragraph (e) of the same section after the words "marketing board or a society" the words "(other than a building society)":
 - (iv) by inserting at the end of the same paragraph the words "or where the principal debtor is a building society within the meaning of the said Act unless the bank, friendly society or approved body, as the case may be, shall, under the provisions of the securities executed by the building society in favour of the bank, friendly society or approved body as the case may be, or of any of such securities, have become entitled to appoint a receiver of the undertaking and assets of the building society."

Sec. 4.
(Provisions relating to guarantees.)

- (2) The amendments made by subsection one of this section shall be deemed to have commenced on the thirty-first day of December, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-four, and shall apply to all guarantees executed on or after that date notwithstanding anything therein contained.
- (3) The Government Guarantees Act, 1934, is Further further amended—

amendment of Act No. 57, 1934. Sec. 3. (Authority to give guarantees.)

(a) by omitting from subsection two of section three the figures "1923-1932" and by inserting in lieu thereof the following figures and new to Treasurer proviso :-

"1923-1937:

Provided that where any such guarantee is for the repayment of any advance made to a building society within the meaning of the Co-operation Act, 1923-1937, it shall not be executed except upon the recommendation of the Co-operative Building Advisory Committee constituted under that Act:"

- (b) by inserting at the end of the same section the following new subsection:-
 - (7) The approval of the Governor to the execution of any guarantee under this section shall be conclusive evidence that the guarantee has not been entered into in contravention of this section.
- 7. (1) The action of the Governor and Executive Validation. Council in authorising the giving and of the Colonial Treasurer in giving the guarantees set out in the Schedule to this Act is hereby validated.
- (2) No guarantee so given shall be held to be void merely on the ground that the person by whom such guarantee was so given had no power to create a liability enforceable against the Government and to be discharged out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

Further (3) The Government Guarantees Act, 1934, is amendment of Act No. 57, 1934; further amended—

- Sec. 3. (Authority to Treasurer to give guarantees.)
- (a) by inserting in section three after the words "validated by this Act" wherever occurring the words "or by the Housing (Further Provisions) Act, 1937";
- Sec. 4. (Provisions relating to guarantees.)
- (b) by inserting in section four after the words "validated by this Act" the words "or by the Housing (Further Provisions) Act, 1937";
- Sec. 5. (Contingent appropriation.)
- (c) by inserting in section five after the words "by this Act" the words "or validated by the Housing (Further Provisions) Act, 1937."

PART IV.

AMENDMENT OF CO-OPERATION ACT, 1923-1936.

Citation.

8. The Co-operation Act, 1923-1936, as amended by subsequent Acts and by this Act, may be cited as the Co-operation Act, 1923-1937.

Amendment

9. The Co-operation Act, 1923-1936, as amended by of Act No. 1, subsequent Acts, is amended—

Sec. 17A. (Undertakings by Treasurer.)

- (a) by omitting paragraph (c) of subsection one of section 17A and by inserting in lieu thereof the following paragraph:-
 - (c) the amount proposed to be lent reduced by the value of the share capital of the member or by the sum of one hundred pounds whichever is the smaller sum does not exceed nine hundred pounds; and
- (b) by inserting at the end of the same subsection the following words and new subsection:-

The instrument evidencing any agreement entered into under this section may be signed by the Colonial Treasurer or for and on behalf of the Colonial Treasurer by any other Minister of the Crown.

(1A) The value of the share capital of a member of any society shall, for the purposes of this section, be calculated in such manner as the Co-operative Building Advisory Committee constituted under this Act may direct.

Any such direction shall be given in relation to the society specified in the direction and shall not be altered while any agreement with that society under this section has effect.

- (c) by inserting in subsection two of the same section after the words "the Governor to" the words "enter into";
- (d) by inserting in subsection four of the same section after the words "the Governor to" the words "enter into";
- (e) by omitting from the same subsection the word "subsection" and by inserting in lieu thereof the word "section".
- 10. (1) The Co-operation Act, 1923-1936, as amended Further amended—

 subsequent Acts, is further amended—

 Act No. 1, 1924; by subsequent Acts, is further amended—
 - (a) by omitting from paragraph (d) of subsection Sec. 17A. one of section 17A the words "paid up value of (Underthe members share capital" and by inserting takings by in lieu thereof the words ("value of the Treasurer.) in lieu thereof the words "value of the share capital of the member";

- (b) by omitting from the same subsection the words "paid up value of the member's share capital is in excess of" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "value of the share capital of the member exceeded";
- (c) by inserting at the end of the same subsection the following new paragraph:-

Any such agreement shall operate and have effect until the registrar certifies to the Governor that the amount owing to the society by the member in respect of the loan to which the agreement relates, reduced by the value of the share capital of the member is not more

than

than sixty-six and two-thirds per centum of the value of the land and dwelling-house as ascertained in accordance with paragraph (d) of this subsection.

(2) The amendments made by subsection one of this section shall be deemed to have commenced upon the second day of February, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-seven, and shall apply to all agreements entered into on or after that date notwithstanding anything therein contained; and the obligations of the Colonial Treasurer under any such agreement shall be varied accordingly; but no such variation shall operate to increase the limit of the amount of the Colonial Treasurer's liability as stated in the agreement.

Further amendment of Act No. 1, 1924. Subsequent Acts, is further amended—

New sec. 84A.

Power to appoint

director

of certain societies.

- (a) by inserting next after section eighty-four the following new section:—
 - 84A. (1) This section shall apply to and in respect of—
 - (a) every building society for the repayment of an advance to which the Colonial Treasurer has, εither before or after the commencement of the Housing (Further Provisions) Act, 1937, executed a guarantee under the Government Guarantees Act, 1934, or under that Act as amended by subsequent Acts; and
 - (b) every building society with which the Colonial Treasurer has, either before or after the commencement of the Housing (Further Provisions) Act, 1937, entered into an agreement under section 17A of this Act, whether as originally enacted or as amended from time to time.

- (2) The Governor may, from time to time, by notification published in the Gazette, appoint a person to be a director of any building society to which this section applies.
- (3) The provisions of this Act (other than this section) and of the rules of the building society relating to the qualification, disqualification, remuneration, removal from office and term of office of directors and to the vacation of office by directors shall not apply to and in respect of a director appointed under this section.
- (4) A director appointed under this section shall hold office as an additional director and shall not be counted in ascertaining the number of directors for the election of whom provision is made in the rules of the society.
- (5) Subject to subsection three of this section a director appointed under this section shall have all the powers, rights, authorities, functions, privileges, immunities, duties, obligations and liabilities of a director elected in accordance with the rules of the society.
- (6) A director appointed under this section shall, unless he is an officer of the Public Service or a member of the Legislative Council or of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, be paid such fees as may be prescribed by regulation.
- (b) by inserting next after section eighty-eight the New secs. following new sections:—

88A. A director or other officer of a building Certain society shall not, except where specifically authorised by a special resolution of the society—

88A, 88B.

(a) sell any land to or act as agent for the sale of any land to a member of the society who proposes to pay for the same, in whole or in part, out of an advance made by the society: or

- (b) undertake the erection of any building for a member of the society who proposes to pay for the same, in whole or in part, out of an advance made by the society; or
- (c) accept as payment in whole or in part of any moneys due to him by a member of the society the whole or part of any advance made by the society to such member.

88B. (1) This section shall apply to and in respect of—

- (a) every building society for the repayment of an advance to which the Colonial Treasurer has, either before or after the commencement of the Housing (Further Provisions) Act, 1937, executed a guarantee under the Government Guarantees Act, 1934, or under that Act as amended by subsequent Acts; and
- (b) every building society with which the Colonial Treasurer has, either before or after the commencement of the Housing (Further Provisions) Act, 1937, entered into an agreement under section 17A of this Act, whether as originally enacted or as amended from time to time.
- (2) The Minister may appoint a person to hold an inquiry and to report to the cooperative building advisory committee with respect to—
 - (a) any matter relating to the carrying out of the provisions of this or any other Act conferring powers or imposing duties on a building society to which this section applies; or

Power to dismiss director or secretary of certain societies sifter inquiry.

(b)

- (b) any act or omission of any director or secretary of a building society to which this section applies—such act or omission having relation to the carrying out of the provisions of this or any other Act conferring powers or imposing duties on the building society or to the office or position held by the director or secretary or to the powers or duties of that office or position.
- (3) For the purposes of any such inquiry the person holding the inquiry shall have the powers, authorities, protections and immunities conferred on a commissioner by Division 1 of Part II of the Royal Commissions Acts, 1923-1934, and shall be deemed to be a sole commissioner within the meaning of that Division.

The provisions of the Royal Commissions Acts, 1923-1934, with the exception of section thirteen and of Division 2 of Part II, shall, mutatis mutandis, apply to the inquiry and to any witness or person summoned by or appearing before the person holding the inquiry.

(4) The co-operative building advisory committee may, after consideration of the report of the person holding an inquiry under this section, direct that the office or position in a building society of the director or secretary to whom the report relates shall be vacated, and that such director shall not be eligible to hold office as a director of or (as the case may require) that such secretary shall not be eligible for appointment or employment as the secretary of that building society.

The office or position shall be deemed to have become vacant as from the date upon which notices, addressed to the director or secretary to whom the same relates and to the society of which he is a director or the secretary, as the

case may be, and signed by the chairman and executive member of the Co-operative Building Advisory Committee, of the direction of that committee, are delivered at or posted to the registered office of the building society.

(5) Every director or secretary of a building society to which this section applies shall, whether he was elected or appointed to such office or position before, or is so elected or appointed after, the commencement of the Housing (Further Provisions) Act, 1937, hold his office or position subject to the provisions of this section.

Further amended 12. (1) The Co-operation Act, 1923-1936, as amended Act No. 1, 1924. by subsequent Acts, is further amended—

Sec. 47. (Shares.)

(a) by inserting at the end of subsection ten of section forty-seven the following proviso:—

Provided that where a society has made a loan to a member and the number of shares held by such member has exceeded, or at any time exceeds, the number permitted by or under this subsection, such member shall, until the amount lent to him has been repaid to the society with interest thereon, be liable to make to the society the payments which he would be liable to make if all such shares were lawfully held by him and no security for the repayment of such loan taken by the society shall be affected by any contravention of this subsection.

Sec. 65. (Borrowing powers.)

- (b) (i) by omitting subsection one of section sixtyfive and by inserting in lieu thereof the following subsection:—
 - (1) (a) Where a society is authorised by its rules to raise money on loan the society may raise the money in such manner as the society may think fit, and in particular by legal or equitable mortgage charged upon the undertaking of the society or upon all

or any part of the property and rights (both present and future) of the society, including its uncalled or unpaid capital, subscriptions, loan payments and other moneys, or by the issue of bonds.

- (b) A society shall not be deemed to be authorised to receive money on deposit unless, by its rules, it is expressly authorised to receive money on deposit.
- (ii) by inserting in subsection two of the same section after the word "financial" the word "or":
- (c) (i) by inserting in subsection three of section sec. 66. sixty-six after the word "bank" the words (Loans and "or any society registered under the deposits.) Friendly Societies Act, 1912-1935";
 - (ii) by omitting from subsection (7A) of the same section the words "during such period" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "or if all deposits received have been repaid at the time of the loan";
 - (iii) by inserting at the end of subsection (7B) of the same section the following paragraph:—

 For the purposes of this subsection a bond shall not include any instrument which makes any property liable, whether specifically or otherwise, to any bank or any society registered under the Friendly Societies Act, 1912-1935, or any financial or trading corporation, or liable specifically to any other person as security for money raised on loan or received on deposit.
 - (iv) by omitting subsection twelve of the same section and by inserting in lieu thereof the following subsection:—
 - (12) No member or other person lending money to or depositing money with a society shall be bound to see to the application thereof or be in any way affected or projudiced by the fact that such society, in borrowing

borrowing such money or receiving such deposit, has contravened the provisions of this or any other section of this Act or the rules of the society.

Sec. 80. (Special resolution.)

- (d) by inserting at the end of section eighty the following new subsection:—
 - (4) A certificate of registration of any special resolution or of any alteration of the rules of a society given by the registrar shall, in favour of any person advancing money to the society on the faith of such certificate, or in favour of any guarantor of any such advance, be conclusive evidence that such resolution was duly passed or such alteration in the rules was duly made as the case may be.

Sec. 113. (Civil remedies.)

- (e) (i) by inserting in section one hundred and thirteen after the words "of this Act" where firstly occurring the words "or any rule of the society";
 - (ii) by inserting in the same section after the words "of this Act" where secondly occurring the words "or of the rules of the society."
- (2) Subsection one of this section shall be deemed to have commenced on the thirty-first day of December, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-four.

PART V.

AMENDMENT OF HOUSING OF THE UNEMPLOYED ACT, 1934-1936.

Commencement of Part V. 13. This Part of this Act shall be deemed to have commenced on the twenty-ninth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-four.

- 14. (1) The Housing of the Unemployed Act, 1934- Amendment of Act No. 4, 1934.
 - (a) by inserting next after section six the following New sec. 6A. new section:—
 - 6A. (1) The trust may, from time to time by Delegation. resolution, delegate such of the powers, authorities, duties or functions of the trust or of the chairman as are specified in the resolution—

(a) to any member of the trust;

(b) to any officer appointed under subsection two of section six of this Act;

- (c) to any officer or employee of whose services the trust makes use pursuant to subsection one of section six of this Act.
- (2) Any such delegation may be made either generally or for any particular case or class of cases.
- (3) Any person, when acting within the scope of any such delegation to him, shall be deemed to be the trust or the chairman as the case may be.
- (4) Any instrument necessary to be executed and any notice, order, summons or other like document requiring authentication for the purpose of the exercise or discharge of any power, authority, duty or function delegated to any person under this section, shall be sufficiently executed or authenticated, as the case may be, if signed by such person in such a way as to show that he does so under and in pursuance of the delegation.

(5) The trust may by resolution revoke any delegation made under this section.

(b) by inserting at the end of section eight the fol- Sec. 8.
lowing new subsection:—
(Powers of trust.)

(3) The trust may, from time to time, upon such conditions as may be determined by it, provide assistance of whatever nature it may think fit to any unemployed person or other

person

Sec. 9.

trust.)

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Housing (Further Provisions).

person in necessitous circumstances in connection with the erection, improvement or repair of any building used or intended to be used as a home for such person and his family.

(c) by inserting at the end of section nine the following new subsection:—

- (4) The trust may, from time to time, upon such conditions as may be determined by it, effect such improvements or repairs as it may deem necessary to—
 - (a) any building on land which is vested in or leased by the trust; or
 - (b) any building on land which has been let, leased or sold by the trust under this section; or
 - (c) any building which has been erected, repaired or improved with materials supplied by the trust or purchased with moneys advanced by the trust under and in accordance with this Act.
- (2) The Housing of the Unemployed Act, 1934-1936, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the Housing of the Unemployed Act, 1934-1937.

Sec. 7.

[9d.]

SCHEDULE.

Date.	Debtor.	Creditor.	Amount guaranteed.
16th Dec., 1936	The Organising Council of the Australian British Empire Games Association.	Common w e a l t h Bank of Aus- tralia, Sydney.	£ 10,000
29th Sep., 1937	Port Kembla Co-operative Building Society Limited.	Bank of New South Wales, Port Kembla Branch.	63,000
29th Sep., 1937	Port Kembla Brick Co-operative Build- ing Society Limited.	Bank of New South Wales, Port Kembla Branch.	34,000

By Authority:
DAVID HAROLD PAISLEY, Government Printer, Sydney, 1938.

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. R. McCOURT, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 17 December, 1937.

New South Wales.



ANNO SECUNDO

GEORGII VI REGIS.

Act No. 27, 1937.

An Act to make further provisions in relation to housing; to validate certain matters; to amend the Housing Improvement Act, 1936, the Government Guarantees Act, 1934, the Co-operation Act, 1923–1936, the Housing of the Unemployed Act, 1934–1936, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith. [Assented to, 17th December, 1937.]

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. (1) This Act may be cited as the "Housing Short title." (Further Provisions) Act, 1937."

(2)

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

W. W. HEDGES, Chairman of Committees of the Legislative Assembly.

(2) This Act is divided into Parts as follows:--

PART I.—PRELIMINARY.

PART II.—AMENDMENT OF HOUSING IMPROVEMENT ACT, 1936, AND CERTAIN OTHER ACTS.

PART III.—AMENDMENT OF GOVERNMENT GUARAN-TEES ACT, 1934.

PART IV.—Amendment of Co-operation Act, 1923-1936.

PART V.—AMENDMENT OF HOUSING OF THE UNEMPLOYED ACT, 1934-1936.

SCHEDULE.

PART II.

AMENDMENT OF HOUSING IMPROVEMENT ACT, 1936, AND CERTAIN OTHER ACTS.

Citation.

2. The Housing Improvement Act, 1936, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the Housing Improvement Act, 1936-1937.

Amendment of Act No. 59, 1936. New Parts VA and VB. 3. (1) The Housing Improvement Act, 1936, is amended by inserting next after Part V the following new Parts:—

PART VA.

ERSKINEVILLE HOUSING SCHEME.

Division 1.—Construction of certain works.

Certain work

14a. (1) (a) The carrying out on the land described in the First Schedule to this Act of the work referred to in the Second Schedule to this Act is hereby sanctioned.

(b) The said work shall be deemed to be an authorised work within the meaning of the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts.

(c)

- (c) The Housing Improvement Board is empowered to carry out the said work and shall be the constructing authority for the same within the meaning of the said Act as so amended and shall enter into such contracts and take all such necessary steps for the proper execution thereof as such authority may think proper.
- (d) The provisions of the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts, sections thirty-four, thirty-five, thirty-six and thirty-seven excepted, shall apply to and in respect of the said work.
- (2) Without prejudice to the generality of subsection one of this section the provisions of section thirty-eight of the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts, shall apply to and in respect of any contract referred to in paragraph (c) of subsection one of this section.

14B. (1) The cost of carrying out so much of the Cost. said work as is referred to in Part One of the Second Schedule to this Act (exclusive of land resumptions) is estimated at fifty-four thousand pounds.

- (2) The cost of carrying out so much of the said work as is referred to in Part Two of the Second Schedule to this Act (exclusive of land resumptions) is estimated at fifteen thousand pounds.
- (3) The cost of carrying out so much of the said work as is referred to in Part Three of the Second Schedule to this Act (exclusive of land resumptions) is estimated at five hundred pounds.
- (4) The respective estimated costs referred to in this section shall not under any circumstances be exceeded by more than ten per centum.

DIVISION 2.—Care, control and management of certain works.

14c. The board shall have the care, control and Care, management of so much of the work referred to in management. the ment.

the Second Schedule to this Act as consists of dwellings and ancillary buildings and works constructed on the portion of land referred to in Part One of that Schedule.

Powers of the board.

- 14b. (1) For the purposes of carrying this Division into effect the board may, from time to time and notwithstanding anything contained in any other Act, take such steps, provide such equipment, and carry out such works and operations (including works of maintenance and repair) as may be necessary or as it may think desirable.
- (2) Without prejudice to the generality of subsection one of this section the board may let or may, with the approval of the Governor, sell or otherwise dispose of the land or any part thereof upon which any of the works referred to in section 14c of this Act are constructed.

Any such letting may be made at such rent (whether the same is the best rent that can reasonably be obtained or not) and for such term and subject to such covenants and conditions as the board, in its absolute discretion, may from time to time determine.

Park lands.

- 14E. (1) Upon completion of the works referred to in Part Two of the Second Schedule to this Act, the Governor shall notify in the Gazette that such works are complete.
- (2) On the date of the publication in the Gazette of any such notification—
 - (a) the land upon which the works referred to in the notification have been carried out shall become Crown land within the meaning of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, as amended by subsequent Acts; and
 - (b) such land shall be deemed to be dedicated under the said Act as so amended for the purposes of public recreation; and
 - (e) the board shall have the care, control and management of such land and shall continue to have such care, control and management until

until the Governor by proclamation in the Gazette, pursuant to section three hundred and forty-five of the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended by subsequent Acts, charges the council of the area with the care, control and management of such land.

(3) Where the board has the care, control and management of any land pursuant to this section—

- (a) the board shall have and may exercise and discharge, in relation to such land, all or any of the powers, authorities, duties and functions which may be exercised and discharged under the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended by subsequent Acts, by a council in relation to a public reserve, the care, control and management of which is placed in the council under Part XIII of the said Act as so amended;
- (b) the Governor may make regulations in relation to such land prescribing all such matters and things as may be prescribed by ordinance under the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended by subsequent Acts, in relation to a public reserve, the care, control and management of which is placed in a council under Part XIII of the said Act as so amended.

All regulations made under this subsection shall-

(i) be published in the Gazette;

(ii) take effect from the date of such publication or from a later date to be specified in the regulations; and

(iii) be laid before both Houses of Parliament within fourteen sitting days after the publication thereof if Parliament is in session, and if not, then within fourteen sitting days after the commencement of the next session.

If either House of Parliament passes a resolution of which notice has been given at any time within fifteen sittings days after such regulations have been

been laid before such House disallowing any regulation or part thereof, such regulation or part shall thereupon cease to have effect.

Exemption from rates.

14r. Where land is acquired by the board pursuant to this Part of this Act, no rate shall be made or levied under the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended by subsequent Acts, in respect of the land so acquired.

Rights, liabilities property.

14g. On and from the day upon which that portion of the land described in the First Schedule to this Act which is referred to in Part Three of the Second Schedule to this Act is acquired by the board the following provisions shall have effect:—

- (a) The body corporate known as The Trustees of Erskineville Park shall be and the same is hereby dissolved, and the persons who, immediately before the said day, were the members of such body corporate shall cease to hold office as such.
- (b) All property (other than the land so acquired) and all right and interest therein which, immediately before the said day, is vested in or belongs to The Trustees of Erskineville Park, shall vest in and belong to the board.
- (c) All moneys, liquidated and unliquidated claims which, immediately before the said day, are payable to or recoverable by The Trustees of Erskineville Park, shall be moneys, liquidated and unliquidated claims payable to and recoverable by the board.
- (d) All suits, actions and proceedings pending immediately before the said day at the suit of The Trustees of Erskineville Park, shall be suits, actions and proceedings pending at the suit of the board.
- (e) The board may pursue the same remedies for the recovery of any such moneys and claims and for the prosecution of such suits.

actions

- actions and proceedings as The Trustees of Erskineville Park might have done but for this Act.
- (f) The board may enforce and realise any security or charge existing immediately before the said day in favour of The Trustees of Erskineville Park in respect of any such moneys and claims as if such security or charge were existing in favour of the board.
- (g) All debts due and moneys payable by and all claims, liquidated and unliquidated, recoverable against The Trustees of Erskineville Park shall be debts due and moneys payable by and claims recoverable against the board:

Provided that the liability of the board in respect of such debts, moneys and claims shall be limited to the amount of the assets of The Trustees of Erskineville Park which are vested in or recovered by the board under this section.

PART VB.

FINANCE.

14H. (1) There shall be constituted an account in Housing Special Deposits Account to be called the "Housing Improvement Improvement Account."

(2) The account shall be applied for the purpose of the administration and execution of this Act and for no other purpose whatsoever.

141. (1) There shall be paid to the credit of the Assets of account.

- (a) all moneys advanced to the board by the Colonial Treasurer or provided by Parliament for the purposes of the board;
- (b) all moneys received by the board from any other source.

Application of account.

- (2) The account may be applied to any of the following purposes:—
 - (a) the administrative expenses of the board;
 - (b) the costs and expenses incurred in carrying out any of the powers, authorities, duties and functions conferred and imposed on the board by or under this Act;
 - (c) any purpose directed or authorised by or under this Act for the application of the account.
- (3) The account shall be operated on in the manner prescribed.

Accounts.

14J. The board shall cause to be kept proper books of account, and shall, as soon as practicable after the thirtieth day of June in each year, prepare and transmit to the Minister for presentation to Parliament a statement of accounts in a form approved by the Auditor-General, exhibiting a true and correct view of the financial position and transactions of the board.

Audit.

14κ. The accounts of the board shall be audited by the Auditor-General, who shall have, in respect thereof, all the powers conferred on the Auditor-General by any law now or hereafter to be in force relating to the audit of public accounts; and the Audit Act, 1902, and Acts amending the same, shall apply to the board, the members of the board and the officers and employees of the board in the same manner as it applies to accounting officers of public departments.

Further amendment of Act No. 59, 1936. New Schedules. (2) The Housing Improvement Act, 1936, is further amended by inserting after section sixteen the following new Schedules:—

FIRST SCHEDULE.

All that piece or parcel of land known as Erskineville Park, parishes of Alexandria and Petersham, county of Cumberland, bounded by Mitchell-road, Ashmore-street, Binning-street, Swanson-street and Copeland-street.

SECOND

SECOND SCHEDULE.

The works respectively referred to in Part One, Part Two and Part Three of this Schedule are subject to such modifications as may be considered desirable by the Board.

PART ONE.

The construction upon the north-western portion (comprising approximately four acres) of the land described in the First Schedule to this Act, of fifty-six dwellings (including the provision of equipment therefor) and of ancillary buildings and works.

PART TWO.

The construction upon the eastern portion (comprising approximately eleven and one-half acres) of the land described in the First Schedule to this Act, of such works (including the provision of a sports ground) as may be necessary to render that portion suitable for use by the public for purposes of public recreation, convenience, health or enjoyment.

PART THREE.

The construction upon that portion (comprising approximately seven acres) of the land described in the First Schedule to this Act which is not comprised in the portions referred to in Part One and Part Two of this Schedule of such works as may be necessary to render that portion suitable for use by the public for purposes of public recreation, convenience, health or enjoy-

(3) The Housing Improvement Act, 1936, is fur-Further ther amended—

(a) by inserting in section two next after the 59,1936. matter relating to Part V the following words Sec. 2. and symbols:-

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PART VB-FINANCE.

(b) by inserting at the end of the same section the word-

"SCHEDULES."

(4) The Housing Improvement Act, 1936, is further Further amended—

amendment

(a) by omitting from paragraph (a) of subsection ^{59,1936}. six of section five the words "to any member"; Sec. 5.

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(b) of board.)

- (b) by inserting at the end of the same paragraph the words—
 - (i) to a member; or
 - (ii) to the secretary or any other officer appointed under subsection one of section eight of this Act; or
 - (iii) to any officer, servant or employee of whose services the board makes use pursuant to subsection four of section eight of this Act.
- (c) by omitting from paragraph (b) of the same subsection the words "A member" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "Any person."

Amendment of Act No. 30, 1902.

4. (1) The Public Health Act. 1902-1932. amended--

Sec. 58. (Closing orders.)

- (a) (i) by omitting from subsection one of section fifty-eight the words "that any house or other building within its area is unfit or unsafe for human habitation or occupation, such local authority may" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "or to the Board that any house or other building within the area of the local authority is unfit or unsafe for human habitation or occupation or has become ruinous and dangerous (that is to say ruinous to such an extent that the continuance of such house or building is dangerous to the public or to the inhabitants of the neighbouring dwelling-houses) such local authority or the Board shall";
 - (ii) by inserting in the same subsection after the words "is not fit for human habitation or occupation" the words "or is in a ruinous and dangerous condition";
 - (iii) by inserting in the same subsection after the words "so as to render it fit for human habitation or occupation" the words "or eliminate the ruinous and dangerous condition (as the case may be)";

(iv)

- (iv) by omitting from the same subsection after the word "order" the word "may" and by inserting in lieu thereof the word "shall";
- (b) (i) by inserting in subsection one of section Sec. 61. sixty-one after the word "dwelling- (Demolition houses" the words "or (as the case may orders.) be) that the ruinous and dangerous condition has not been eliminated and that the necessary steps are not being taken to eliminate such condition";
 - (ii) by inserting in subsection three of the same section after the word "occupation" the words "or (as the case may be) the works necessary to eliminate the ruinous and dangerous condition of the house or building";
 - (iii) by omitting from subsection one of section sixty-three the word "section" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "sections fifty-eight or".
- (2) The Public Health Act, 1902-1932, as amended Citation. by this Act, may be cited as the Public Health Act, 1902-1937.

PART III.

AMENDMENT OF GOVERNMENT GUARANTEES ACT. 1934.

5. The Government Guarantees Act, 1934, as amended citation. by this Act, may be cited as the Government Guarantees Act, 1934-1937.

6. (1) The Government Guarantees Act, 1934, is Amendment amended-

(a) (i) by inserting in subsection two of section sec. 3. three after the word "bank" where firstly (Authority occurring the words "or of any society to Treasurer to give registered under the Friendly Societies guarantees.) Act, 1912-1935 (in this Act referred to as 'friendly society') or of any other body of persons, corporate or unincorporate, approved by the Minister (in this Act referred to as 'approved body')";

(ii)

- (ii) by omitting from the same subsection the words "to be made by the bank—" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "made or to be made by the bank, friendly society or approved body, as the case may be,—"
- (iii) by inserting at the end of the same section the following new subsection:—
 - (6) Any guarantee executed by the Colonial Treasurer under this Act may be made by way of increase of the amount of the Colonial Treasurer's liability as stated in a previous guarantee given under this Act, and may be made upon such terms and conditions as are prescribed or as the Colonial Treasurer may determine.

The enactment of this subsection shall not affect subsections one, two and three of this section.

- (b) (i) by inserting in section four after the word "bank" wherever occurring the words "friendly society or approved body as the case may be";
 - (ii) by inserting in paragraph (d) of the same section after the word "hold" the words "or retain and hold";
 - (iii) by inserting in paragraph (e) of the same section after the words "marketing board or a society" the words "(other than a building society)";
 - (iv) by inserting at the end of the same paragraph the words "or where the principal debtor is a building society within the meaning of the said Act unless the bank, friendly society or approved body, as the case may be, shall, under the provisions of the securities executed by the building society in favour of the bank, friendly society or approved body as the case may be, or of any of such securities, have become entitled to appoint a receiver of the undertaking and assets of the building society."

Sec. 4.
(Provisions relating to guarantees.)

(iii)

of Act No. 57, 1934.

guarantees.)

Sec. 3.

Housing (Further Provisions).

- (2) The amendments made by subsection one of this section shall be deemed to have commenced on the thirty-first day of December, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-four, and shall apply to all guarantees executed on or after that date notwithstanding anything therein contained.
- (3) The Government Guarantees Act, 1934, is Further further amended-
 - (a) by omitting from subsection two of section three the figures "1923-1932" and by inserting (Authority in lieu thereof the following figures and new to Treasurer proviso:-

"1923-1937:

Provided that where any such guarantee is for the repayment of any advance made to a building society within the meaning of the Co-operation Act, 1923-1937, it shall not be executed except upon the recommendation of the Co-operative Building Advisory Committee constituted under that Act;"

- (b) by inserting at the end of the same section the following new subsection:—
 - (7) The approval of the Governor to the execution of any guarantee under this section shall be conclusive evidence that the guarantee has not been entered into in contravention of this section.
- 7. (1) The action of the Governor and Executive Validation. Council in authorising the giving and of the Colonial Treasurer in giving the guarantees set out in the Schedule to this Act is hereby validated.
- (2) No guarantee so given shall be held to be void merely on the ground that the person by whom such guarantee was so given had no power to create a liability enforceable against the Government and to be discharged out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

(3) The Government Guarantees Act, 1934, is amendment of Act No. 57, 1934, further amended ---

Sec. 3. (Authority to Treasurer to give guarantees.)

Sec. 4. 7 (Provisions relating to guarantees.)

Sec. 5. (Contingent appropriation.)

- (a) by inserting in section three after the words "validated by this Act" wherever occurring the words "or by the Housing (Further Provisions) Act, 1937";
 - (b) by inserting in section four after the words "validated by this Act" the words "or by the Housing (Further Provisions) Act, 1937";
- (c) by inserting in section five after the words "by this Act" the words "or validated by the Housing (Further Provisions) Act, 1937."

PART IV.

AMENDMENT OF CO-OPERATION ACT, 1923-1936.

Citation.

8. The Co-operation Act, 1923-1936, as amended by subsequent Acts and by this Act, may be cited as the Co-operation Act, 1923-1937.

Amendment 1924.

Sec. 17A. (Undertakings by Treasurer.)

- 9. The Co-operation Act, 1923-1936, as amended by of Act No. 1, subsequent Acts, is amended—
 - (a) by omitting paragraph (c) of subsection one of section 17A and by inserting in lieu thereof the following paragraph:-
 - (c) the amount proposed to be lent reduced by the value of the share capital of the member or by the sum of one hundred pounds whichever is the smaller sum does not exceed nine hundred pounds; and
 - (b) by inserting at the end of the same subsection the following words and new subsection:-

The instrument evidencing any agreement entered into under this section may be signed by the Colonial Treasurer or for and on behalf of the Colonial Treasurer by any other Minister of the Crown.

(1A)

(1a) The value of the share capital of a member of any society shall, for the purposes of this section, be calculated in such manner as the Co-operative Building Advisory Committee constituted under this Act may direct.

Any such direction shall be given in relation to the society specified in the direction and shall not be altered while any agreement with that society under this section has effect.

- (c) by inserting in subsection two of the same section after the words "the Governor to" the words "enter into";
- (d) by inserting in subsection four of the same section after the words "the Governor to" the words "enter into";
- (e) by omitting from the same subsection the word "subsection" and by inserting in lieu thereof the word "section".
- 10. (1) The Co-operation Act, 1923-1936, as amended Further amendment of Act No. 1, 1924,
 - (a) by omitting from paragraph (d) of subsection Sec. 17A. one of section 17A the words "paid up value of (Underthe members share capital" and by inserting takings by in lieu thereof the words "value of the share capital of the member";
 - ords
 - (b) by omitting from the same subsection the words "paid up value of the member's share capital is in excess of" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "value of the share capital of the member exceeded";
 - (c) by inserting at the end of the same subsection the following new paragraph:—

Any such agreement shall operate and have effect until the registrar certifies to the Governor that the amount owing to the society by the member in respect of the loan to which the agreement relates, reduced by the value of the share capital of the member is not more

than

than sixty-six and two-thirds per centum of the value of the land and dwelling-house as ascertained in accordance with paragraph (d) of this subsection.

(2) The amendments made by subsection one of this section shall be deemed to have commenced upon the second day of February, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-seven, and shall apply to all agreements entered into on or after that date notwithstanding anything therein contained; and the obligations of the Colonial Treasurer under any such agreement shall be varied accordingly; but no such variation shall operate to increase the limit of the amount of the Colonial Treasurer's liability as stated in the agreement.

Further amendment of Act No. 1, 1924. The Co-operation Act, 1923-1936, as amended by subsequent Acts, is further amended—

New sec. 84A.

- (a) by inserting next after section eighty-four the following new section:—
 - 84A. (1) This section shall apply to and in respect of—

Power to appoint director of certain societies.

- (a) every building society for the repayment of an advance to which the Colonial Treasurer has, εither before or after the commencement of the Housing (Further Provisions) Act, 1937, executed a guarantee under the Government Guarantees Act, 1934, or under that Act as amended by subsequent Acts; and
- (b) every building society with which the Colonial Treasurer has, either before or after the commencement of the Housing (Further Provisions) Act, 1937, entered into an agreement under section 17A of this Act, whether as originally enacted or as amended from time to time.

- (2) The Governor may, from time to time, by notification published in the Gazette, appoint a person to be a director of any building society to which this section applies.
- (3) The provisions of this Act (other than this section) and of the rules of the building society relating to the qualification, disqualification, remuneration, removal from office and term of office of directors and to the vacation of office by directors shall not apply to and in respect of a director appointed under this section.
- (4) A director appointed under this section shall hold office as an additional director and shall not be counted in ascertaining the number of directors for the election of whom provision is made in the rules of the society.
- (5) Subject to subsection three of this section a director appointed under this section shall have all the powers, rights, authorities, functions, privileges, immunities, duties, obligations and liabilities of a director elected in accordance with the rules of the society.
- (6) A director appointed under this section shall, unless he is an officer of the Public Service or a member of the Legislative Council or of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, be paid such fees as may be prescribed by regulation.
- (b) by inserting next after section eighty-eight the New secs. following new sections:-

88A, 88B.

88A. A director or other officer of a building Certain society shall not, except where specifically autho- prohibited. rised by a special resolution of the society—

(a) sell any land to or act as agent for the sale of any land to a member of the society who proposes to pay for the same, in whole or in part, out of an advance made by the society; or

(b)

- (b) undertake the erection of any building for a member of the society who proposes to pay for the same, in whole or in part, out of an advance made by the society; or
- (c) accept as payment in whole or in part of any moneys due to him by a member of the society the whole or part of any advance made by the society to such member.

88B. (1) This section shall apply to and in respect of—

- (a) every building society for the repayment of an advance to which the Colonial Treasurer has, either before or after the commencement of the Housing (Further Provisions) Act, 1937, executed a guarantee under the Government Guarantees Act, 1934, or under that Act as amended by subsequent Acts; and
- (b) every building society with which the Colonial Treasurer has, either before or after the commencement of the Housing (Further Provisions) Act, 1937, entered into an agreement under section 17A of this Act, whether as originally enacted or as amended from time to time.
- (2) The Minister may appoint a person to hold an inquiry and to report to the cooperative building advisory committee with respect to—
 - (a) any matter relating to the carrying out of the provisions of this or any other Act conferring powers or imposing duties on a building society to which this section applies; or

Power to dismiss director or secretary of certain societies after inquiry.

(b)

- (b) any act or omission of any director or secretary of a building society to which this section applies—such act or omission having relation to the carrying out of the provisions of this or any other Act conferring powers or imposing duties on the building society or to the office or position held by the director or secretary or to the powers or duties of that office or position.
- (3) For the purposes of any such inquiry the person holding the inquiry shall have the powers, authorities, protections and immunities conferred on a commissioner by Division 1 of Part II of the Royal Commissions Acts, 1923-1934, and shall be deemed to be a sole commissioner within the meaning of that Division.

The provisions of the Royal Commissions Acts, 1923-1934, with the exception of section thirteen and of Division 2 of Part II, shall, mutatis mutandis, apply to the inquiry and to any witness or person summoned by or appearing before the person holding the inquiry.

(4) The co-operative building advisory committee may, after consideration of the report of the person holding an inquiry under this section, direct that the office or position in a building society of the director or secretary to whom the report relates shall be vacated, and that such director shall not be eligible to hold office as a director of or (as the case may require) that such secretary shall not be eligible for appointment or employment as the secretary of that building society.

The office or position shall be deemed to have become vacant as from the date upon which notices, addressed to the director or secretary to whom the same relates and to the society of which he is a director or the secretary, as the

case may be, and signed by the chairman and executive member of the Co-operative Building Advisory Committee, of the direction of that committee, are delivered at or posted to the registered office of the building society.

(5) Every director or secretary of a building society to which this section applies shall, whether he was elected or appointed to such office or position before, or is so elected or appointed after, the commencement of the Housing (Further Provisions) Act, 1937, hold his office or position subject to the provisions of this section.

Further anendment of Act No. 1, 1924. by subsequent Acts, is further amended—

Sec. 47. (Shares.)

(a) by inserting at the end of subsection ten of section forty-seven the following proviso:—

Provided that where a society has made a loan to a member and the number of shares held by such member has exceeded, or at any time exceeds, the number permitted by or under this subsection, such member shall, until the amount lent to him has been repaid to the society with interest thereon, be liable to make to the society the payments which he would be liable to make if all such shares were lawfully held by him and no security for the repayment of such loan taken by the society shall be affected by any contravention of this subsection.

Sec. 65. (Borrowing powers.)

- (b) (i) by omitting subsection one of section sixtyfive and by inserting in lieu thereof the following subsection:—
 - (1) (a) Where a society is authorised by its rules to raise money on loan the society may raise the money in such manner as the society may think fit, and in particular by legal or equitable mortgage charged upon the undertaking of the society or upon all

or any part of the property and rights (both present and future) of the society, including its uncalled or unpaid capital, subscriptions, loan payments and other moneys, or by the issue of bonds.

- (b) A society shall not be deemed to be authorised to receive money on deposit unless, by its rules, it is expressly authorised to receive money on deposit.
- (ii) by inserting in subsection two of the same section after the word "financial" the word "or";
- (c) (i) by inserting in subsection three of section sec. 66.
 sixty-six after the word "bank" the words (Loans and
 "or any society registered under the Friendly Societies Act, 1912-1935";
 - (ii) by omitting from subsection (7A) of the same section the words "during such period" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "or if all deposits received have been repaid at the time of the loan";
 - (iii) by inserting at the end of subsection (7B) of the same section the following paragraph:—

 For the purposes of this subsection a bond shall not include any instrument which makes any property liable, whether specifically or otherwise, to any bank or any society registered under the Friendly Societies Act, 1912-1935, or any financial or trading corporation, or liable specifically to any other person as security for money raised on loan or received on deposit.
 - (iv) by omitting subsection twelve of the same section and by inserting in lieu thereof the following subsection:—
 - (12) No member or other person lending money to or depositing money with a society shall be bound to see to the application thereof or be in any way affected or projudiced by the fact that such society, in borrowing

borrowing such money or receiving such deposit, has contravened the provisions of this or any other section of this Act or the rules of the society.

Sec. 80. (Special resolution.)

- (d) by inserting at the end of section eighty the following new subsection:—
 - (4) A certificate of registration of any special resolution or of any alteration of the rules of a society given by the registrar shall, in favour of any person advancing money to the society on the faith of such certificate, or in favour of any guarantor of any such advance, be conclusive evidence that such resolution was duly passed or such alteration in the rules was duly made as the case may be.

Sec. 113. (Civil remedies.)

- (e) (i) by inserting in section one hundred and thirteen after the words "of this Act" where firstly occurring the words "or any rule of the society";
 - (ii) by inserting in the same section after the words "of this Act" where secondly occurring the words "or of the rules of the society."
- (2) Subsection one of this section shall be deemed to have commenced on the thirty-first day of December, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-four.

PART V.

AMENDMENT OF HOUSING OF THE UNEMPLOYED ACT, 1934-1936.

Commencement of Part V. 13. This Part of this Act shall be deemed to have commenced on the twenty-ninth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-four.

- 14. (1) The Housing of the Unemployed Act, 1934- Amendment of Act No. 4, 1934.
 - (a) by inserting next after section six the following New sec. 6A. new section:—
 - 6a. (1) The trust may, from time to time by Delegation. resolution, delegate such of the powers, authorities, duties or functions of the trust or of the chairman as are specified in the resolution—

(a) to any member of the trust;

- (b) to any officer appointed under subsection two of section six of this Act;
- (c) to any officer or employee of whose services the trust makes use pursuant to subsection one of section six of this Act.
- (2) Any such delegation may be made either generally or for any particular case or class of cases.
- (3) Any person, when acting within the scope of any such delegation to him, shall be deemed to be the trust or the chairman as the case may be.
- (4) Any instrument necessary to be executed and any notice, order, summons or other like document requiring authentication for the purpose of the exercise or discharge of any power, authority, duty or function delegated to any person under this section, shall be sufficiently executed or authenticated, as the case may be, if signed by such person in such a way as to show that he does so under and in pursuance of the delegation.
- (5) The trust may by resolution revoke any delegation made under this section.
- (b) by inserting at the end of section eight the fol- Sec. 8.
 lowing new subsection:—
 (Powers of trust.)
 - (3) The trust may, from time to time, upon such conditions as may be determined by it, provide assistance of whatever nature it may think fit to any unemployed person or other

person

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person in necessitous circumstances in connection with the erection, improvement or repair of any building used or intended to be used as a home for such person and his family.

- (c) by inserting at the end of section nine the following new subsection:—
 - (4) The trust may, from time to time, upon such conditions as may be determined by it, effect such improvements or repairs as it may deem necessary to—
 - (a) any building on land which is vested in or leased by the trust; or
 - (b) any building on land which has been let, leased or sold by the trust under this section; or
 - (c) any building which has been erected, repaired or improved with materials supplied by the trust or purchased with moneys advanced by the trust under and in accordance with this Act.
- (2) The Housing of the Unemployed Act, 1934-1936, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the Housing of the Unemployed Act, 1934-1937.

Sec. 7.

SCHEDULE.

Date.	Debtor.	Creditor.	Amount guaranteed.
16th Dec., 1936	The Organising Council of the Australian British Empire Games Association.	Bank of Aus-	£ 10,000
29th Sep., 1937	Port Kembla Co-opera- tive Building Society Limited.		63,000
29th Sep., 1937	Port Kembla Brick Co-operative Build- ing Society Limited.		34,000

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

WAKEHURST,

Governor.

Government House, Sydney, 17th December, 1937.