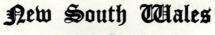
This PUBLIC BILL originated in the LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, and, having this day passed, is now ready for presentation to the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL for its concurrence.

R. E. WARD, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 4 September, 1975.





# ANNO VICESIMO QUARTO ELIZABETHÆ II REGINÆ

# Act No. , 1975.

An Act to sanction and provide for the construction of a branch railway from the main northern railway near Whittingham to the vicinity of Mount Thorley; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes connected therewith.

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**B**<sup>E</sup> it enacted by the Queen'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:—

1. This Act may be cited as the "Whittingham to Mount short title. Thorley Railway Act, 1975".

2. (1) In this Act, except in so far as the context or Interpresubject-matter otherwise indicates or requires—

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"Commission" means the Public Transport Commission of New South Wales;

"council" means council within the meaning of the Local Government Act, 1919;

"scheduled work" means the work described in the Schedule, subject to such modifications and deviations as may be deemed necessary or desirable by the Commission.

(2) The site of the scheduled work is shown on the plan marked "Public Transport Commission of N.S.W.20 Whittingham-Mt. Thorley Schedule Plan" sealed with the seal of the Commission, countersigned by the Director of Engineering of the Commission and deposited in the office of the Commission.

3. (1) The carrying out of the scheduled work is hereby scheduled work sanctioned.

(2) The Commission is empowered to carry out the scheduled work and for the purpose of so doing may do all such things, including entering into contracts, as it may consider necessary.

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The cost of carrying out the scheduled work which, Estimated 4. exclusive of amounts paid in connection with the acquisition cost not to be exceeded of land, is estimated at \$9,700,000, shall not be exceeded by by more more than 10 per centum. than 10 per centum.

5. (1) The scheduled work shall be deemed to be Application 5 authorised works within the meaning of the Public Works Act, of Public 1912 (in this section referred to as "the Act"). 1912.

(2) For the purpose of the scheduled work, the Commission shall be the Constructing Authority within the 10 meaning of the Act.

(3) The provisions of the Act, other than sections 34, 35, 36, 37, 47, 48, 49, 91 (b), 126 (3), 151 and 153, shall apply to and in respect of the scheduled work.

- (4) Notwithstanding the exclusion by subsection (3) 15 of the provisions of section 91 (b) of the Act to and in respect of the scheduled work, the Commission may in its discretion make and maintain such fences in connection with the scheduled work as it thinks fit.
- (5) Without prejudice to the generality of the other 20 provisions of this section, the provisions of section 38 of the Act shall apply to and in respect of a contract to be made under section 3 (2).

Notwithstanding the provisions of the Local Govern-Use of, and 6. ment Act, 1919, of any ordinance made under that Act or building on, of any other Act 25 of any other Act-

- (a) the land acquired for the scheduled work may be used in connection with the scheduled work for such purposes as the Commission determines; and
- (b) structures, complying with such specifications as the Commission approves, may be erected on the land referred to in paragraph (a).

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7. The scheduled work may be constructed on, over, Construction under, along or by the side of a road if it is to be so con- in proximity structed solely for the purpose of allowing the scheduled work to cross that road.

5 8. If the scheduled work crosses a road on the level, the Protective and safety Commission as the Constructing Authority shall install such devices at protective and safety devices at that crossing as it deems level crossings.

9. (1) Notwithstanding any provision of the Public Closing of roads.
10 Roads Act 1902, the Public Works Act, 1912, or any other Act, where a road is or may be affected by the construction of the scheduled work the Commission may, with the approval of the Governor, by notice published in the Gazette close such part or parts of that road as is or are specified in the notice.

15 (2) A notice referred to in subsection (1) shall not be published unless the Governor is satisfied—

- (a) that no person will be denied reasonable access to land by virtue of the closure or partial closure of the road; or
- 20 (b) that where a person is denied access to land along the road that is proposed to be closed or partially closed, that a reasonably alternative road of access to that land is permanently available or has been provided by the Commission.

(3) Upon publication in the Gazette of a notice referred to in subsection (1), any dedication as a public road of the land specified in the notice shall absolutely cease and determine and the rights of any person to use the land specified in the notice or any part of that land for the purpose 30 of a road shall be extinguished.

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(4) The land specified in the notice referred to in subsection (1) shall, upon publication of the notice, vest in the Commission as Constructing Authority.

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(c) is carried under a road,

the maintenance of, and any future paving, kerbing, guttering, roadmaking, draining and other construction of a like or different nature in relation to, any such road—

- 15 (d) in a case to which paragraph (a) applies, up to the sleeper ends on each side of the scheduled work;
  - (e) in a case to which paragraph (b) applies, that is under the scheduled work, excluding the bridge or structure or any part of the bridge or structure that carries the scheduled work; and
  - (f) in a case to which paragraph (c) applies, that is carried over the scheduled work,

shall, after the completion of the scheduled work, be undertaken without expense to the Commission by the council, the
25 Commissioner for Main Roads or any other authority, as the case may be, that would have been responsible for the road if the scheduled work had not been constructed, notwithstanding that the road may have been or be wholly or partly vested in the Commission.

Maintenance of roads and bridges.

(2) Where the scheduled work is carried under a road, the whole or a portion of a bridge or structure over which the road runs, or of an approach to the bridge or structure, that is not within the land required for or for the purposes of the scheduled work as a railway may be dedicated as a public road under the Public Roads Act 1902, or as a public highway under section 81 of the Public Works Act, 1912.

(3) A dedication referred to in subsection (2) of the 10 whole or a portion of a bridge or structure over which a State highway or main road runs shall have the same effect as if the whole or the portion, as the case may be, of the bridge or structure had been proclaimed by the Governor as a State highway or main road under the Main Roads Act, 1924.

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#### SCHEDULE.

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## Description of Works.

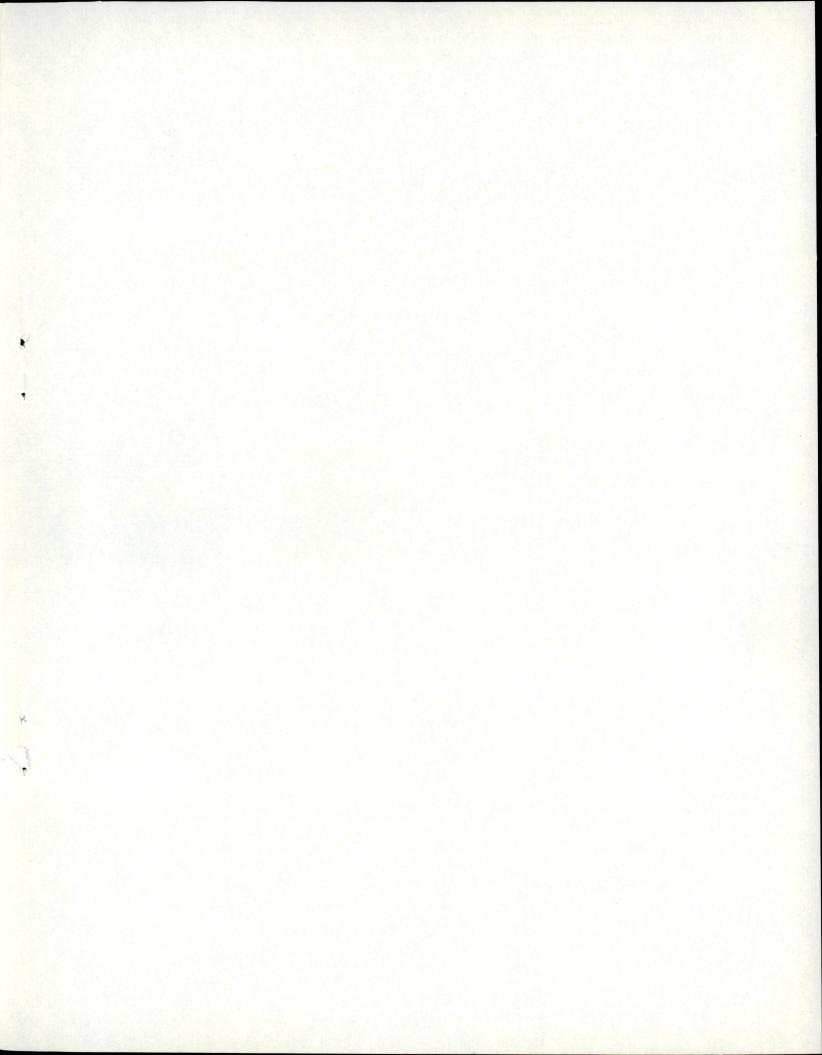
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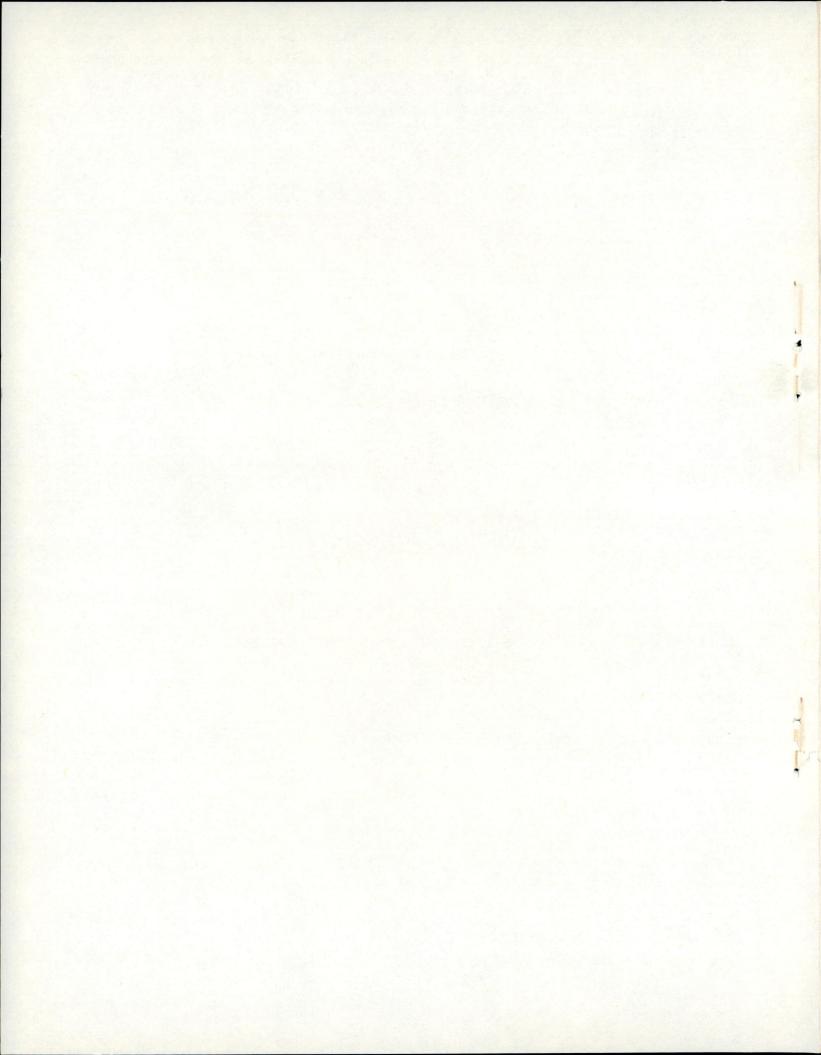
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 Works for the protection of the environment as the Constructing Authority deems necessary or desirable as a consequence of carrying
 out the works referred to in items 1 and 2.

#### BY AUTHORITY

D. WEST, GOVERNMENT PRINTER, NEW SOUTH WALES-1975 [8c]





# No. , 1975.

# A BILL

To sanction and provide for the construction of a branch railway from the main northern railway near Whittingham to the vicinity of Mount Thorley; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes connected therewith.

[MR FIFE-21 August, 1975.]

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4. The cost of carrying out the scheduled work which, Estimated exclusive of amounts paid in connection with the acquisition be exceeded of land, is estimated at \$9,700,000, shall not be exceeded by by more than 10 per centum.

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 Notwithstanding the provisions of the Local Govern-Use of, and ment Act, 1919, of any ordinance made under that Act or building on, the land.

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#### Whittingham to Mount Thorley Railway.

(2) Where the scheduled work is carried under a road, the whole or a portion of a bridge or structure over which the road runs, or of an approach to the bridge or structure, that is not within the land required for or for the purposes of the scheduled work as a railway may be dedicated as a public road under the Public Roads Act 1902, or as a public highway under section 81 of the Public Works Act, 1912.

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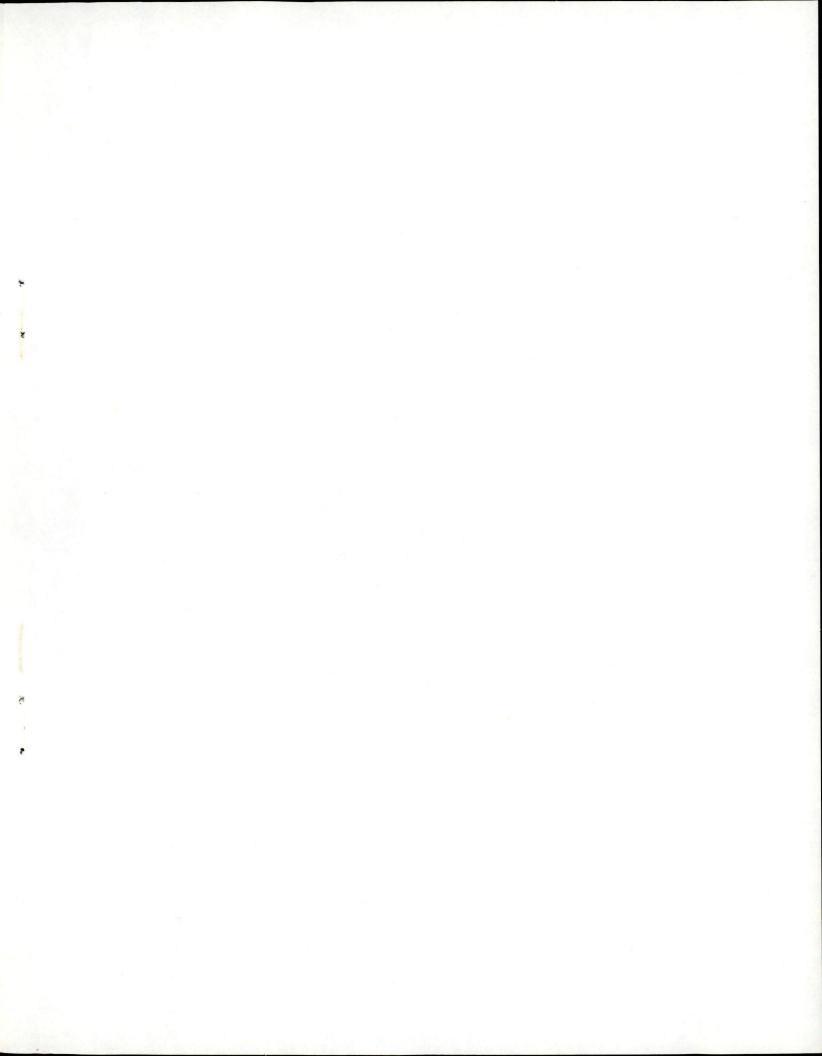
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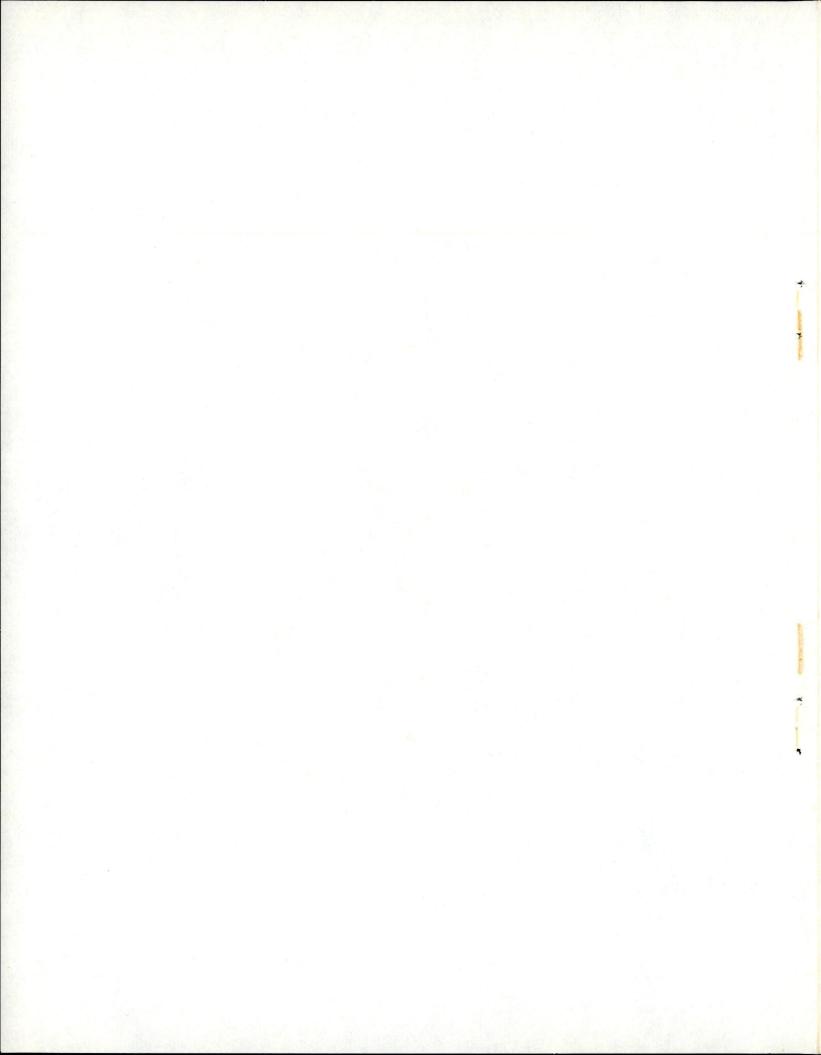
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#### BY AUTHORITY

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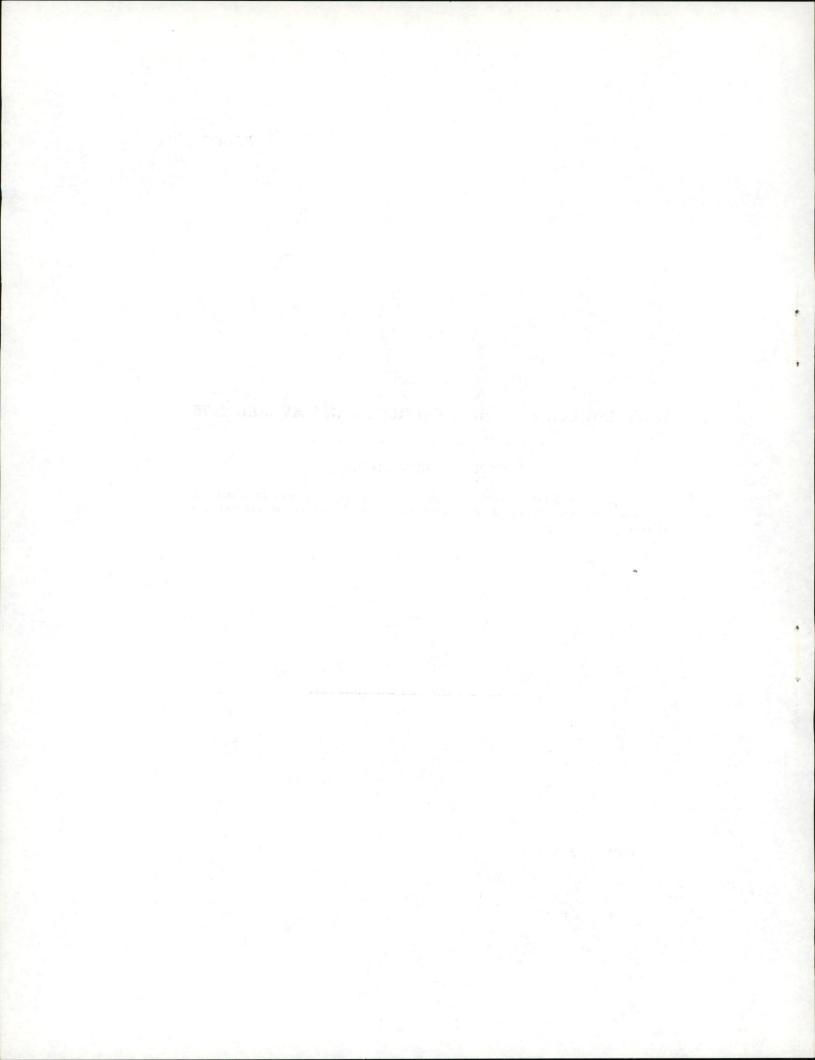
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# WHITTINGHAM TO MOUNT THORLEY RAILWAY BILL, 1975

# EXPLANATORY NOTE

THE object of this Bill is to sanction and provide for the expenditure of approximately \$9.7m for the construction of a railway in the Singleton district for the transportation of coal.

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 Notwithstanding the provisions of the Local Govern-Use of, and ment Act, 1919, of any ordinance made under that Act or building on, the land.

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(2) Where the scheduled work is carried under a road, the whole or a portion of a bridge or structure over which the road runs, or of an approach to the bridge or structure, that is not within the land required for or for the purposes of the scheduled work as a railway may be dedicated as a public road under the Public Roads Act 1902, or as a public highway under section 81 of the Public Works Act, 1912.

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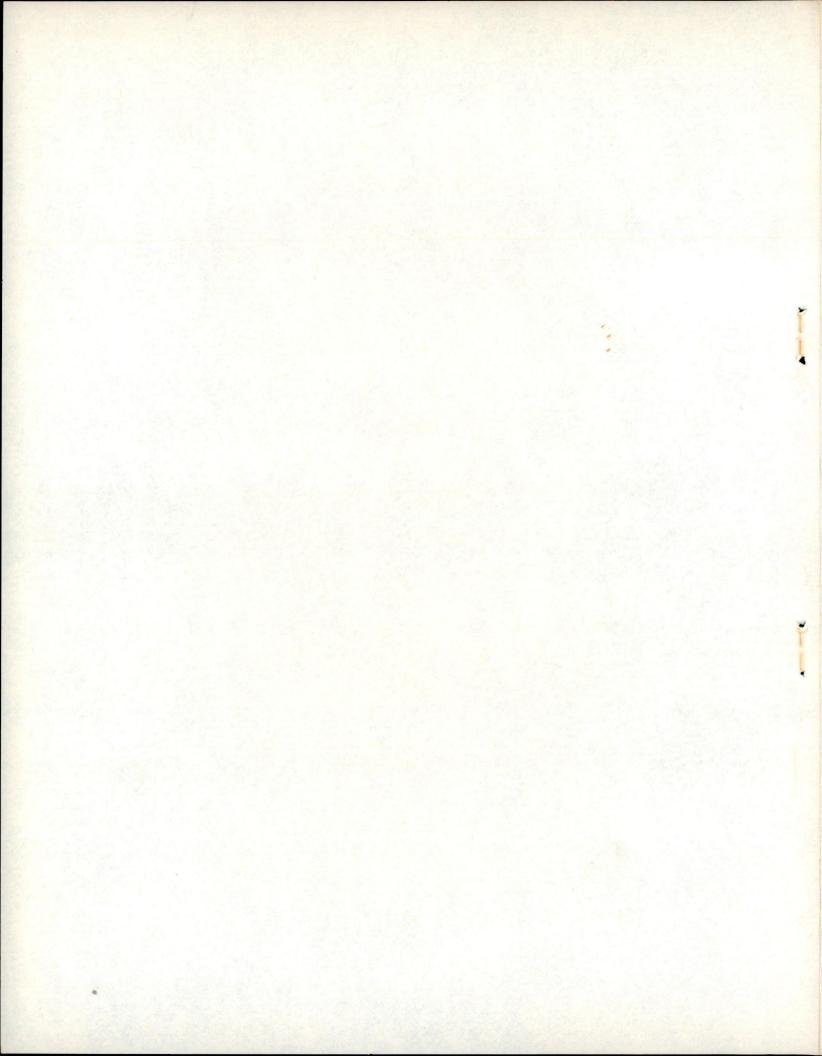
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> BY AUTHORITY D. WEST, GOVERNMENT PRINTER, NEW SOUTH WALES—1975

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# ANNO VICESIMO QUARTO ELIZABETHÆ II REGINÆ

# Act No. 51, 1975.

An Act to sanction and provide for the construction of a branch railway from the main northern railway near Whittingham to the vicinity of Mount Thorley; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes connected therewith. [Assented to, 7th October, 1975.]

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**B**<sup>E</sup> it enacted by the Queen'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:—

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the "Whittingham to Mount Thorley Railway Act, 1975".

Interpretation. 2. (1) In this Act, except in so far as the context or subject-matter otherwise indicates or requires—

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(2) The site of the scheduled work is shown on the plan marked "Public Transport Commission of N.S.W. Whittingham-Mt. Thorley Schedule Plan' sealed with the seal of the Commission, countersigned by the Director of Engineering of the Commission and deposited in the office of the Commission.

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(2) For the purpose of the scheduled work, the Commission shall be the Constructing Authority within the meaning of the Act.

(3) The provisions of the Act, other than sections 34, 35, 36, 37, 47, 48, 49, 91 (b), 126 (3), 151 and 153, shall apply to and in respect of the scheduled work.

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Notwithstanding the provisions of the Local Govern-Use of, and 6. ment Act, 1919, of any ordinance made under that Act or building on, the land. of any other Act—

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#### Whittingham to Mount Thorley Railway.

Construction in proximity to roads.

7. The scheduled work may be constructed on, over, under, along or by the side of a road if it is to be so constructed solely for the purpose of allowing the scheduled work to cross that road.

Protective and safety devices at level crossings. 8. If the scheduled work crosses a road on the level, the Commission as the Constructing Authority shall install such protective and safety devices at that crossing as it deems requisite or expedient.

Closing of roads.

9. (1) Notwithstanding any provision of the Public Roads Act 1902, the Public Works Act, 1912, or any other Act, where a road is or may be affected by the construction of the scheduled work the Commission may, with the approval of the Governor, by notice published in the Gazette close such part or parts of that road as is or are specified in the notice.

(2) A notice referred to in subsection (1) shall not be published unless the Governor is satisfied—

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(3) Upon publication in the Gazette of a notice referred to in subsection (1), any dedication as a public road of the land specified in the notice shall absolutely cease and determine and the rights of any person to use the land specified in the notice or any part of that land for the purpose of a road shall be extinguished.

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Whittingham to Mount Thorley Railway.

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(3) A dedication referred to in subsection (2) of the whole or a portion of a bridge or structure over which a State highway or main road runs shall have the same effect as if the whole or the portion, as the case may be, of the bridge or structure had been proclaimed by the Governor as a State highway or main road under the Main Roads Act, 1924.

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#### SCHEDULE.

## Description of Works.

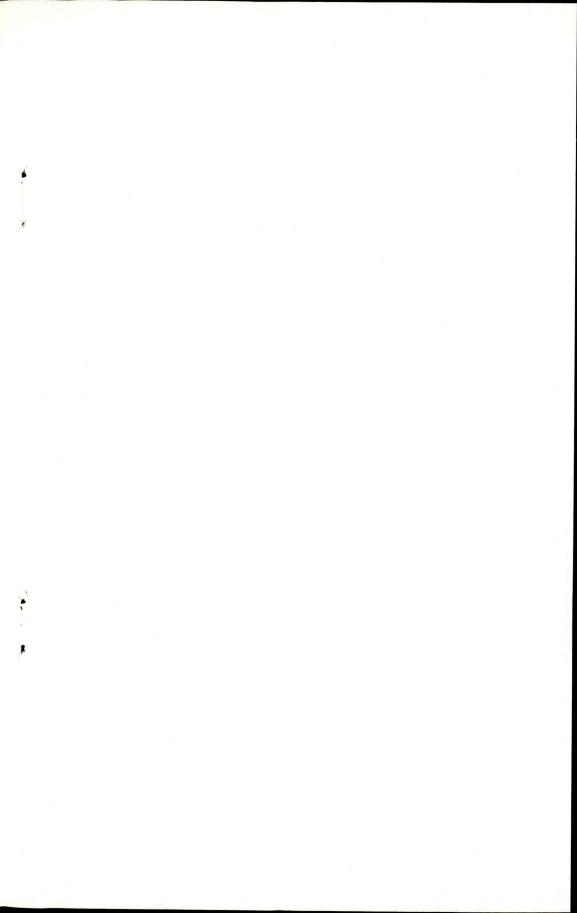
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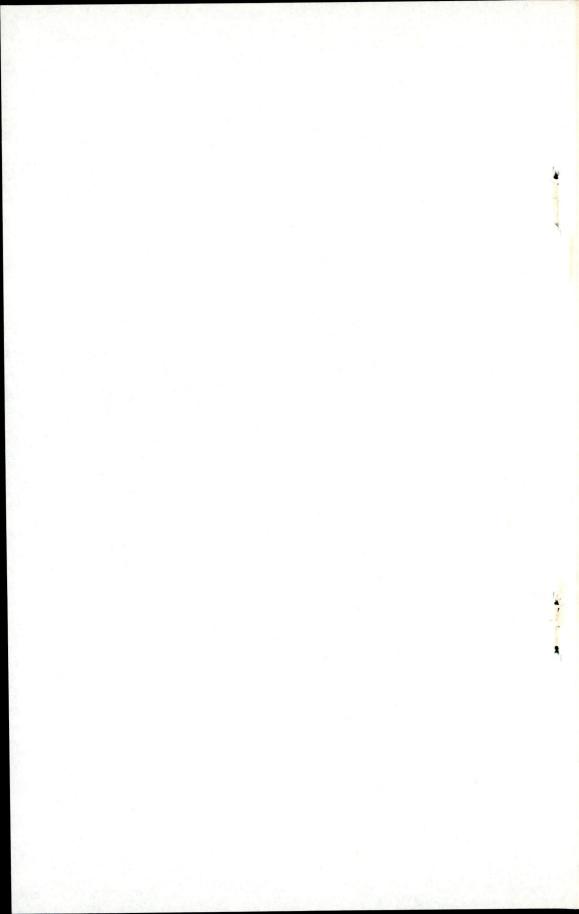
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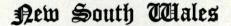




I certify that this PUBLIC BILL, which originated in the LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, has finally passed the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL and the LEGIS-LATIVE ASSEMBLY of NEW SOUTH WALES.

> R. E. WARD, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 10 September, 1975.





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# Act No. 51, 1975.

An Act to sanction and provide for the construction of a branch railway from the main northern railway near Whittingham to the vicinity of Mount Thorley; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes connected therewith. [Assented to, 7th October, 1975.].

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

> J. H. BROWN, Chairman of Committees of the Legislative Assembly.

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**B**<sup>E</sup> it enacted by the Queen'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:—

Short title. 1. This Act may be cited as the "Whittingham to Mount Thorley Railway Act, 1975".

Interpretation. 2. (1) In this Act, except in so far as the context or subject-matter otherwise indicates or requires—

- "Commission" means the Public Transport Commission of New South Wales;
- "council" means council within the meaning of the Local Government Act, 1919;
- "scheduled work" means the work described in the Schedule, subject to such modifications and deviations as may be deemed necessary or desirable by the Commission.

(2) The site of the scheduled work is shown on the plan marked "Public Transport Commission of N.S.W. Whittingham-Mt. Thorley Schedule Plan" sealed with the seal of the Commission, countersigned by the Director of Engineering of the Commission and deposited in the office of the Commission.

Scheduled **3.** (1) The carrying out of the scheduled work is hereby sanctioned.

(2) The Commission is empowered to carry out the scheduled work and for the purpose of so doing may do all such things, including entering into contracts, as it may consider necessary.

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4. The cost of carrying out the scheduled work which, Estimated exclusive of amounts paid in connection with the acquisition be exceeded of land, is estimated at \$9,700,000, shall not be exceeded by by more than 10 per centum.

5. (1) The scheduled work shall be deemed to be Application authorised works within the meaning of the Public Works Act, of Public 1912 (in this section referred to as "the Act"). 1912.

(2) For the purpose of the scheduled work, the Commission shall be the Constructing Authority within the meaning of the Act.

(3) The provisions of the Act, other than sections 34, 35, 36, 37, 47, 48, 49, 91 (b), 126 (3), 151 and 153, shall apply to and in respect of the scheduled work.

(4) Notwithstanding the exclusion by subsection (3) of the provisions of section 91 (b) of the Act to and in respect of the scheduled work, the Commission may in its discretion make and maintain such fences in connection with the scheduled work as it thinks fit.

(5) Without prejudice to the generality of the other provisions of this section, the provisions of section 38 of the Act shall apply to and in respect of a contract to be made under section 3 (2).

6. Notwithstanding the provisions of the Local Govern-Use of, and ment Act, 1919, of any ordinance made under that Act or building on, of any other Act—

- (a) the land acquired for the scheduled work may be used in connection with the scheduled work for such purposes as the Commission determines; and
- (b) structures, complying with such specifications as the Commission approves, may be erected on the land referred to in paragraph (a).

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Construction in proximity to roads.

**7.** The scheduled work may be constructed on, over, under, along or by the side of a road if it is to be so constructed solely for the purpose of allowing the scheduled work to cross that road.

Protective and safety devices at level crossings. 8. If the scheduled work crosses a road on the level, the Commission as the Constructing Authority shall install such protective and safety devices at that crossing as it deems requisite or expedient.

Closing of roads.

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(2) A notice referred to in subsection (1) shall not be published unless the Governor is satisfied—

- (a) that no person will be denied reasonable access to land by virtue of the closure or partial closure of the road; or
- (b) that where a person is denied access to land along the road that is proposed to be closed or partially closed, that a reasonably alternative road of access to that land is permanently available or has been provided by the Commission.

(3) Upon publication in the Gazette of a notice referred to in subsection (1), any dedication as a public road of the land specified in the notice shall absolutely cease and determine and the rights of any person to use the land specified in the notice or any part of that land for the purpose of a road shall be extinguished.

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(4) The land specified in the notice referred to in subsection (1) shall, upon publication of the notice, vest in the Commission as Constructing Authority.

(5) No claim against the Commission, whether as Constructing Authority or otherwise, for compensation shall arise from anything done by it under subsection (1) or from or in respect of the vesting under subsection (4).

10. (1) Where the scheduled work—

Maintenance of roads and bridges.

(2)

- (a) crosses a road on the level;
- (b) is carried over a road; or
- (c) is carried under a road,

the maintenance of, and any future paving, kerbing, guttering, roadmaking, draining and other construction of a like or different nature in relation to, any such road—

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

A. R. CUTLER, Governor.

Government House, Sydney, 7th October, 1975.

