ABILL

To amend and extend the Act passed for shortening Acts of the Legislature.

WHEREAS doubts have arisen whether the Act passed in the six-Preamble. teenth year of Her Majesty's reign intituled "An Act for shortening Acts 16 Vict. No. 1. "of the Legislative Council" extends to or will embrace Acts passed or to be passed by the Legislature as at present constituted and whether 5 Acts commence by law (where no time is expressed) from the day of their receiving the Royal Assent or at an earlier date Be it therefore 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 10 as follows:—

- 1. The several provisions of the said Act applicable to any Act of Provisions of the Council shall extend to every Act passed or to be passed by the Legislature of this Colony for the time being however constituted and the term "Session of Council" shall be taken to mean any Legislative Session

 15 And every Act passed in this Colony by whatsoever Legislature may be cited or referred to by the term "Act of the Legislature of New South "Wales."
- 2. Every Act heretofore or hereafter passed by the Legislature for Time of commencement of Acts.

 the time being (the Act No. 5 of the last Session excepted) shall be

 20 deemed to have commenced and shall take effect on the day on which such Act received or shall receive the Royal Assent unless a contrary intention be expressed therein or shall otherwise appear thereby And the date purporting to be that of such Assent which shall appear on the copy of any such Act printed by the Government Printer or purporting so

 25 to be or which shall be printed on the copy of any such Act in the New South Wales Government Gazette shall be received for all purposes as evidence of the date of such Assent.

Proviso Reserved

3. Provided that every Act reserved for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure shall commence only on the day on which the fact of Her Majesty's assent shall be proclaimed by the Governor in the New South Wales Government Gazette or on such day thereafter if any as the Act itself shall have prescribed.

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Repealed or expired enactments.

4. The repeal of an Enactment by which a previous Enactment was repealed shall not have the effect of reviving such last mentioned Enactment without express words. And neither the repeal nor the expiry of an Enactment shall affect Proceedings commenced under the same before such repeal or expiry but every such Proceeding may be continued 10 and every thing in relation thereto be done in all respects as if the Enactment continued in force.

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5. In all Indictments and Informations and all Pleadings and Proceedings Civil or Criminal the word Statute or the word Act applied to indicate any Enactment shall equally be taken to mean and include an 15 Act of the Imperial Parliament or an Act of the Legislature of this Colony—as the context or the case may require.

This Public Bill, having been this day passed by the Legislative Council, is ready for presentation to the Legislative Assembly, for its concurrence.

Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, December, 1857.

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

New South Wales.



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VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

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This Public Bill, having been this day passed by the Legislative Council, is ready for presentation to the LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, for its concurrence.

Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 11th December, 1857. WM. MACPHERSON, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

New South Wales.



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