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## A BILL

### For Amending the Law as to Courts of Quarter Sessions and the Appointment of Chairmen thereof.

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**W**HEREAS it is expedient to amend the Law as to Courts of Preamble.  
Quarter Sessions and the Appointment of Chairman thereof  
Be it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty by and with the  
advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly  
5 of New South Wales in Parliament assembled and by the authority of  
the same as follows:—

1. The twenty-fifth section of the District Courts' Act of 1858 and Repeal of Enact-  
the Act twenty-third Victoria number one are hereby repealed. ments.

2. Every Court of Quarter Sessions shall have jurisdiction in Jurisdiction of  
10 respect of all crimes and misdemeanors not punishable with death And Quarter Sessions.  
every Chairman of Quarter Sessions and every person appointed to act Chairman sole Judge  
as Chairman shall be the sole Judge at the Trial of all Criminal Issues on Criminal Trials.  
in such Courts and in all matters incidental thereto and shall sitting  
alone have the same jurisdiction and powers as such Court by law  
15 possesses for the hearing of appeals or any other matter whatever.

3. It shall be lawful for the Governor with the advice of the Deputy Chairman  
Executive Council by Commission to appoint any person being or quali- may be appointed.  
fied to be a District Court Judge to be the Chairman of any Court of  
Quarter Sessions.

20 4. It shall be lawful for the Governor with the advice aforesaid  
to appoint any person qualified as aforesaid to act as Chairman of any  
particular Court of Quarter Sessions notwithstanding that the person  
holding the office of such Chairman shall be in the Colony and whether  
such Chairman shall at the same time be performing the duties of Chair-  
25 man of some other Court of Quarter Sessions or of a District Court Judge.



Appointment of substitute.

5. In case of the absence from the Colony of any Chairman of Quarter Sessions it shall be lawful for the Governor with the advice aforesaid to appoint some qualified person as aforesaid to act in the place of such Chairman until he shall return to the execution of his office or until a successor shall be appointed as the case may require and in the mean 5 time until such Chairman shall return as aforesaid or a successor shall be appointed and shall actually enter on the discharge of his office the person so appointed shall have all the powers of the Chairman of the Court to which he may be so appointed.