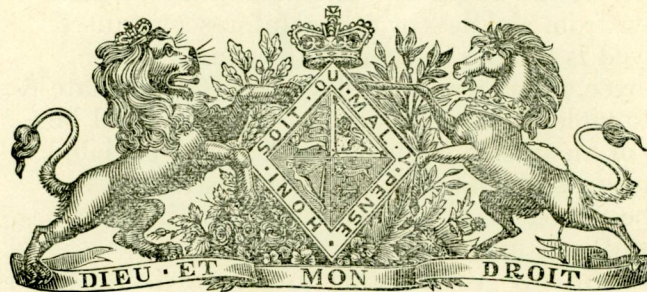


This PUBLIC BILL originated in the LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, and, having this day passed, is now ready for presentation to the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 25 July, 1900. }*

F. W. WEBB,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

New South Wales.



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Act No. , 1900.

An Act to regulate the hours of labour for Hoisting-Engineers
in the Colony of New South Wales.

BE 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:—

- 5 1. Within one month after the passing of this Act the period of employment of all hoisting-engineers in the Colony of New South Wales shall not be more than eight hours during each or any day of twenty-four hours at any coal, shale, or metalliferous mines where persons are employed below ground. Hours of labour of hoisting-engineers.
- 10 2. The eight hours employment shall commence from the time the engineer takes charge of his engine, and cease at the expiration of eight hours from such time. Commencement and termination of labour.

Mines Engineers' Hours Regulation.

3. No hoisting-engineer shall leave his engine during the eight hours while any person is in the mine, unless instructed to do so by his superior officer, who shall be held responsible for his absence. Engineer not to leave engine without authority.
4. It shall hereafter be unlawful for any mine-owner, lessee, company, or corporation operating any mine to hire or employ any engineer or other person to run or operate for more than eight hours in twenty-four hours any first-motion or direct-acting hoisting-engine at any mine, or to hire or employ any engineer or other person to run or operate any geared or indirect acting hoisting-engine at any mine where persons are employed below ground: Proviso. Provided, however, that the provisions of this Act shall not apply to any engineer or person who temporarily operates any of the engines mentioned for more than eight hours in one day when from sickness or other unforeseen causes, the person regularly employed is unable to operate the same. No person to be employed more than eight hours.
5. Any person, employee, manager, or employer who shall violate or cause any other person to violate the provisions of this Act shall be deemed to have been guilty of an offence against this Act, and be liable on summary conviction, before a stipendiary or police magistrate or any two or more justices of the peace, to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings nor less than ten shillings for each offence. Penalties.
6. Anything contained in any Act contrary to the provisions of this Act shall be and is hereby repealed. Repeal of provisions contrary to this Act.
7. This Act may be cited for all purposes as the "Mines Engineers' Hours Regulation Act of 1900." Short title.