## A BILL

To provide for the closing of level crossings, and the substitution, where necessary, of overhead bridges or subways in lieu thereof; and for other purposes.

[Mr. Hughes; —3 October, 1906.]

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:—

5 1. This Act may be cited as the "Level Crossings on Railways Short title. Act, 1906," and shall be read with the Government Railways Act,

1901, and with the Railway Commissioners Appointment Act, 1906.

2. "Level crossing" means a level crossing over any railway Definition.

now or hereafter to be constructed.

3. Whenever, in the opinion of the Chief Commissioner, it is closing of level desirable for the public safety or convenience to close any level crossing, crossings. he may, with the approval of the Governor, by notification in the Gazette, declare such crossing closed from a date to be therein mentioned. And after the publication of such notification all rights-

15 of-way on and over such crossing shall, after the date so mentioned,

be extinguished:

Provided that no level crossing shall be closed until at least thirty days' notice of the intention to close the said crossing has been published in the Gazette and a local newspaper, and until any reason-20 able objections lodged within that period with the Chief Commissioner

have been duly considered:

Provided further that the said Commissioner shall, in a suitable and convenient position, substitute an overhead bridge or subway in lieu of the level crossing so closed in any case in which he is satisfied 25 that such bridge or subway is desirable.

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