

DISTILLATION.

No. 3 of 1931.

An Act to amend the *Distillation Act* 1901-1925.

[Assented to 18th April, 1931.]

BE it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, the Senate, and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, as follows:—

1.—(1.) This Act may be cited as the *Distillation Act* 1931.

Short title and citation.

(2.) The *Distillation Act* 1901-1925* is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

(3.) The Principal Act, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the *Distillation Act* 1901-1931.

2. Section eleven A of the Principal Act is amended by omitting the words "except as to registration" and inserting in their stead the words "if, prior to using the still, the owner gives notice in writing to the Collector for the State in which the still is intended to be used specifying the purpose for which, and the place at which, the still is intended to be used."

Stills of a capacity of less than one gallon.

3. Section fifty-nine of the Principal Act is repealed and the following section inserted in its stead:—

"59.—(1.) No Australian wine shall be fortified under this Act—

Maximum strength of wine.

(a) so as to contain more than forty per centum of proof spirit;
or

(b) with any other spirit than pure wine spirit of a strength of at least thirty degrees above proof:

Provided that Australian wine may be fortified with pure wine spirit of a strength less than thirty degrees, but not less than ten degrees, above proof if the Collector is satisfied that the wine is to remain under the control of the Customs for a period of not less than two years after the date of its last fortification with such spirit.

(2.) No Australian wine, fortified with spirit of a strength of less than thirty degrees above proof, shall be removed from the control of the Customs within a period of two years after the date of its last fortification with such spirit.

Penalty: Twenty pounds."

4. Section seventy-five of the Principal Act is repealed.

Unlawful use of stills.

* Act No. 8, 1901, as amended by No. 21, 1906; No. 34, 1918; No. 9, 1923; and No. 13, 1925.