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[CONFIDENTIAL.]

(Rough Draft for Consideration Only.)

No. , 1930.

A BILL

To impose a tax to be collected upon motor omnibuses and other public motor vehicles registered under the provisions of the Transport Act, 1930, in lieu of the tax imposed by the Motor Vehicles (Taxation) Act, 1924; and for purposes connected therewith.

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:—

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the "Transport Short title.
(Public Motor Vehicles) Tax Act, 1930," and shall be read and construed with the Transport Act, 1930.

(2) This Act shall commence upon the date appointed in pursuance of section fifteen of the Transport Act, 1930. Commence-
ment.

2. There shall be levied and collected under the Transport Act, 1930, in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirty and in each succeeding year at the times prescribed by that Act or the regulations made thereunder and subject to the provisions of that Act, from every owner of a public motor vehicle owned or registered by a Trust under that Act, and in respect of each such vehicle for the use of His Majesty and for credit of the Public Vehicles Fund, tax at the rates set out in the Schedule to this Act in lieu of the tax (if any) to which such vehicle is subject under the provisions of the Motor Vehicles (Taxation) Act, 1924. Taxation.

3. For the purposes of this Act—

- (a) the weight of a vehicle shall be ascertained as the gross weight of the vehicle laden with tools and accessories usually carried, with such fuel, water, and oil as may be in or upon the vehicle but otherwise unladen : Weight.
- (b) the number of one-half hundredweights nearest to the weight so ascertained shall be the weight upon which the tax is to be collected.

SCHEDULE.

1. Motor Omnibus Rates—

- (a) Upon every motor omnibus with pneumatic tyres. 4s. 3d. per half hundred-weight of its weight.
- (b) Upon every motor omnibus with any non-pneumatic or solid tyre. 5s. 6d. per half hundred-weight of its weight.

2. Other Public Motor Vehicle Rates—

- (a) Upon every other public motor vehicle with pneumatic tyres. 2s. 9d. per half hundred-weight of its weight.
- (b) Upon every other public motor vehicle with any non-pneumatic or solid tyre. 3s. 6d. per half hundred-weight of its weight.

3. Any vehicle which in the opinion of the Commissioner of Road Transport is almost wholly manufactured within the British Empire shall be charged according to the above scale less a deduction of sixpence per half hundredweight of the weight of the vehicle.