

Farmers' Assistance (Debts, Etc.), Etc., Act. 1 Edw. VIII. No. 16,

PRICKLY-PEAR LAND AMENDMENT.

See LANDS (1).

PRIMARY PRODUCE.

1 EDW. VIII.
NO. 16.
THE
FARMERS'
ASSISTANCE
(DEBTS
ADJUSTMENT)
ACT
AMENDMENT
ACT OF 1936.

An Act to Amend "The Farmers' Assistance (Debts Adjustment) Act of 1935" in certain particulars.

[ASSENTED TO 12TH NOVEMBER, 1936.]

BE it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of Queensland in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

Short title
and
construction.

1. (1.) This Act may be cited as "*The Farmers' Assistance (Debts Adjustment) Act Amendment Act of 1936*," and shall be read as one with *"*The Farmers' Assistance (Debts Adjustment) Act of 1935*," herein referred to as the Principal Act.

Collective
title.

(2.) The Principal Act and this Act may collectively be cited as †"*The Farmers' Assistance (Debts Adjustment) Acts, 1935 to 1936*."

Amendments of the Principal Act.

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Act.

2. The Principal Act is amended, as follows:—

Amendment
of s. 2.

(i.) Section two is amended, as follows:—

(a) In the definition of "Local Authority," after the figures "1934," where they twice occur, the words and brackets, namely "(or any Act amending or in substitution for the same)" are respectively inserted.

(b) A new definition is inserted after the definition of "Prescribed," as follows:—

Register of
Applications.

" "Register of Applications"—The Register of Applications under this Act, which register may, notwithstanding any Act or law to the contrary, be on the loose-leaf or card system."

* 26 Geo. V. No. 23, *supra*, page 15564.

† 26 Geo. V. No. 23, *supra*, page 15564, and 1 Edw. VIII. No. 16 (this Act).

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(ii.) Section seven is amended, as follows:—

Amendment
of s. 7.

In subsection one the words "This Act" are repealed and the following words are inserted in lieu thereof, namely:—"Except as is hereinafter provided, this Act."

(iii.) A new section 13A is inserted after section thirteen, as follows:—

New s. 13A.

"[13A.] Where the Board is of opinion that it is necessary that the assistance which may be given under this Act to an applicant farmer who is indebted to the Crown (being the State of Queensland or any State Governmental authority) shall, to enable the farmer concerned to continue to carry on farming operations and to give him a reasonable prospect of carrying on those operations successfully, include a composition or scheme of arrangement of any such Crown debts or specified Crown debts or portion of any specified Crown debts, the Board may recommend accordingly.

Crown
debts.

Upon receipt of such recommendation the Governor in Council may, and notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in any Act or law, agree to such composition or scheme of arrangement in respect of the whole of such Crown debts or any specified Crown debts or portion of any specified Crown debts as he may think fit, and may accept the payment provided for in such composition or scheme of arrangement in full satisfaction and discharge of the whole of such Crown debts or any specified Crown debts or portion of any specified Crown debts, as the case may be."

(iv.) In subsection three of section fourteen the word "Minister," where it twice occurs, is repealed and the word "Corporation" is respectively inserted in lieu thereof.

Amendment
of s. 14.

The following provision is added to the said subsection, namely:—

"For the purposes of this subsection the term "Corporation" shall mean the corporation of "The Secretary for Agriculture and Stock" as constituted by subsection one of section seventeen of this Act."

(v.) A new section 14A is inserted after section fourteen, namely:—

New s. 14A.

"[14A.] Where the Board is of opinion that it is necessary in respect of any composition or scheme of arrangement approved by it that the stay of proceedings hereinbefore provided shall, to enable the farmer concerned to carry on farming operations and to give him a

Stay of
proceedings
in respect of
Crown
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reasonable prospect of carrying on those operations successfully, apply and extend to the Crown (being the State of Queensland or any State Governmental authority) and either generally or in respect of any specified Crown debts or portion of any specified Crown debts, the Board may recommend accordingly.

Upon receipt of such recommendation the Governor in Council may consent to the application and extension to the Crown, and either generally or in respect of any specified Crown debts or portion of any specified Crown debts, of such stay of proceedings: Provided that such consent may be unconditional or may be subject to such terms and conditions as the Governor in Council shall think fit."

Amendments
of s. 17.

(vi.) Section seventeen is amended, as follows:—

(a) In paragraph (a) of subsection two the word "or," where it last occurs, is repealed and the words "and/or" are inserted in lieu thereof.

(b) In subsection three the word "Minister," where it twice occurs, is repealed and the word "Corporation" is respectively inserted in lieu thereof; also the words "by him" are repealed and the words "by it" are inserted in lieu thereof.

(c) In subsection four the word "Minister" is repealed and the word "Corporation" is inserted in lieu thereof.

Operation
of Act.

3. The amendments made to the Principal Act by this Act shall be deemed to have been made therein on the passing of the Principal Act, and this Act shall have retrospective operation and effect accordingly.

PRIVATE HOSPITALS.

See HEALTH.

PUBLIC ACTS OF QUEENSLAND REPRINT.

See ACTS.

PUBLIC SERVICE.

See LABOUR (1).

PUBLIC SERVICE ACTS AMENDMENT.

See LOCAL BODIES' LOANS.