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## GEORGII V REGIS.

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An Act to provide for the control of Alsatian dogs, and for incidental purposes.

[Assented to, November 29th, 1934.] BE IT ENACTED by the Governor of the State of South Australia, with the advice and consent of the Parliament thereof, as follows:

- 1. This Act may be cited as the "Alsatian Dogs Act, 1934". Short title.
- 2. In this Act—

Interpretation.

- "Alsatian dog" means a dog, whether male or female, of any age, which is wholly or partly of the species or kind commonly known as "Alsatian dog" or "Alsatian wolf-hound" or belongs wholly or partly to any variety of the said species or kind by whatever name the variety may be known:
- 3. (1) No Alsatian dog shall be kept within any part of Resping Alsatian dogs in certain parts of State. the State to which this Act applies.

- (2) Any person who is the owner of or keeps or has in his possession or under his control any Alsatian dog within any part of the State to which this Act applies shall be guilty of an offence and liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds.
- (3) Any person may destroy any Alsatian dog which is within any part of the State to which this Act applies, and the owner of the Alsatian dog shall not be entitled to any damages or compensation on any such destruction.

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## (4) This Act shall apply—

- (a) within the part of the State not comprised within a municipality or a district council district or the Garden Suburb; and
- (b) within any municipality or district council district contiguous to any part of the State referred to in paragraph (a) to which the Governor by regulation declares that this Act shall apply; and
- (c) within any municipality or district council district contiguous to any municipality or district council district referred to in paragraph (b) to which the Governor by regulation declares that this Act shall apply.

Power to order destruction of Alsatian dogs.

- 4. (1) If any person is convicted of an offence against this Act, the court before which he is convicted may order the Alsatian dog in respect of which the offence was committed to be destroyed and may give all such directions as are necessary to ensure that the order shall be duly carried into effect.
- (2) Any person charged with the execution of any such order or direction may, for the purpose of carrying out the same, enter upon any premises where the dog is or is reasonably believed to be.

Licence fees for Alsatian dogs.

- 5. (1) Notwithstanding any provision of the Registration of Dogs Act, 1924, to the contrary, and notwithstanding the limited application of this Act in any other respect, the fee payable for the registration of any Alsatian dog anywhere in the State under the said Act shall be two pounds.
- (2) The Minister within the meaning of the Registration of Dogs Act, 1924, shall in the manner provided by section 12 of that Act annually fix the size and shape of a special metal disc for Alsatian-dogs. The said special disc shall, in addition to the other matters referred to in the said section, be inscribed with the word "Alsatian" and shall differ in size and shape from the size and shape fixed for the same year as provided by the said section.
- (3) So far as the Registration of Dogs Act, 1924, applies to Alsatian dogs, that Act shall be construed as if any reference therein to a disc is a reference to a special disc fixed as aforesaid.
- (4) The provisions of this section shall not apply to any Alsatian dog registered under the Registration of Dogs Act, 1924, at the passing of this Act until the expiration of the period for which the dog is registered.

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- 6. (1) Every municipal council and district council to the Administration of Act. municipality or district of which council this Act applies is hereby authorised and directed to carry out within its municipality or district, as the case may be, the provisions of this Act and every member of the police force is authorised and directed to carry out the said provisions.
- (2) Nothing in this section shall preclude any person from taking proceedings for any offence against this Act.
- 7. Any proceedings for offences against this Act shall be summary proceedings disposed of summarily.
  - In the name and on behalf of His Majesty, I hereby assent to this Bill. W. DUGAN, Governor.