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### No. 25 of 1956.

An Act to amend the Bush Fires Act, 1933-1955.

[Assented to 15th November, 1956.]

BE IT ENACTED by the Governor of the State of South Australia, with the advice and consent of the Parliament thereof, as follows :

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the "Bush Fires Act Amendment Act, 1956". Short titles.

(2) The Bush Fires Act, 1933-1955, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the "Bush Fires Act, 1933-1956".

(3) The Bush Fires Act, 1933-1955, is hereinafter referred to as "the principal Act".

2. Section 11 of the principal Act is amended by adding at the end of subsection (6) thereof the following passage :— Amendment of principal Act, s. 11—  
Variation of burning periods.

This subsection shall authorize the council to vary the periods mentioned in sections 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 13 or 20, or any of those sections, whether the period so varied is specified in such section or whether the period has been altered in manner provided by the preceding subsections of this section.

The power provided by this subsection to vary the periods mentioned in section 5 or section 8, shall not be exercised so that a period fixed under this subsection in respect of either of the said sections commences before the completion of the period fixed under section 4, or, as the case may be, section 7, whether that period is fixed by either of the said sections or by an alteration thereof made pursuant to the preceding subsections of this section.

Amendment of  
principal Act,  
s. 13a.—  
Day of  
extreme fire  
hazard.

**3.** Section 13a of the principal Act is amended—

- (a) by inserting after the word “lighting” in the eighth line thereof the words “and maintaining” ;
- (b) by inserting after the word “lights” in the second line of subsection (2) thereof the words “maintains, or permits to remain alight”.

Amendment of  
principal Act,  
s. 17.—  
Use of certain  
vehicles.

**4.** Section 17 of the principal Act is amended by striking out subsections (4) and (5) thereof and by inserting in lieu thereof the following subsection :—

(4) If any vehicle which is propelled by an internal combustion engine and which is not fitted with an effective spark arrester or muffler, is driven on any land or road through or within six feet of any inflammable stubble or other inflammable material, the person who so drives the vehicle and also any other person who causes the vehicle to be so driven shall be guilty of an offence and liable to a penalty of not more than fifty pounds.

Amendment of  
principal Act,  
s. 46.—  
Payments from  
fund.

**5.** Section 46 of the principal Act is amended by striking out subsection (1) thereof and by inserting in lieu thereof the following subsection :—

(1) For the purpose of providing up to two-thirds of the cost of any fire fighting equipment to be used for the purpose of fighting bush fires or other fires in parts of the State to which the Fire Brigades Act, 1936-1944, does not apply, the committee may from the fund make payments to any council or to any organization formed for the purpose of fighting such bush fires or other fires.

In the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, I hereby assent to this Bill.

R. A. GEORGE, Governor.