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No. 866.

An Act to Regulate the Speed of Motors, and for other purposes.

[*Assented to, November 24th, 1904.*]

**B**E 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 Motor Traffic Regulation Act, 1904." Short title.

2. In this Act and in any regulations thereunder the words "motor vehicle" shall mean and include any motor car, automobile, motor carriage, motor cycle, or other carriage or vehicle propelled either partly or wholly by any volatile spirit, steam, or electricity, or by any other means than animal power. Definition.

3. The Governor may, by Proclamation published in the *Government Gazette*, from time to time make, amend, or repeal regulations for the following purposes:— Power to make regulations.

- i. For regulating and controlling the speed of motor vehicles---
  - (a) Within any city or any part or parts of any city;
  - (b) Within any corporate town;
  - (c) In any other part of the State outside the boundaries of cities and corporate towns:

ii. For

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- ii. For fixing the number of lighted lamps to be carried by any motor vehicle, the positions thereof, and the times when such lighted lamps shall be carried :
- iii. Prescribing the manner, whether by means of a bell, horn, or other instrument, in which audible and sufficient warning of the approach or position of any motor vehicle shall be given :
- iv. For preventing the riding or driving of any motor vehicle on any footpath except when crossing from or to any premises :
- v. Providing for minimising the noise from the working of the engine of any motor vehicle, whether by the use of a recognised silencer or otherwise :
- vi. For any other purpose which he may consider necessary for the safety of the public :

and any such regulations may impose a penalty not exceeding Two Pounds for any breach thereof: Provided that no by-law shall limit the speed of any motor outside of any city or corporate town to less than twenty miles an hour except when meeting or passing any person riding any horse or driving any horse and vehicle.

Inconsistency of regulations or by-laws.

4. When a regulation or by-law made by a Municipal Corporation, District Council, or other local governing body is inconsistent with a regulation made by the Governor under this Act, the latter shall prevail, and the former, to the extent of the inconsistency, be invalid.

Lights—Exemptions not to apply.

5. Notwithstanding anything contained in The Lights on Vehicles Act, 1872, and the Acts amending the same, the exemption from having a lighted lamp affixed to vehicles on certain nights shall not apply to motor vehicles.

Summary procedure.

6. The provisions of all laws relating to summary proceedings before Justices shall apply to all prosecutions under this Act and the regulations thereunder, and all informations in respect of such offences may be summarily heard and determined before a Special Magistrate or two Justices of the Peace.

Appeal.

7. There shall be an appeal from any conviction, order, or order dismissing any information under this Act or any regulation thereunder, and such appeal shall be to the Local Court of Adelaide of Full Jurisdiction.

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

GEORGE R. LE HUNTE, Governor.