

MINISTERS OF THE CROWN.

No. 13 of 1960.

AN ACT to amend the *Ministers of the Crown Act 1923.* [20 June 1960.]

BE it enacted by His Excellency the Governor of Tasmania, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, in Parliament assembled, as follows:—

1—(1) This Act may be cited as the *Ministers of the Crown Act 1960.* Short title and citation.

(2) The *Ministers of the Crown Act 1923*, as subsequently amended, is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

2 Section five of the Principal Act is amended by omitting from subsection (3) thereof the word “No” and substituting therefor the words “Except as provided in section eight, no”. Ministerial offices and duties.

3 Section seven of the Principal Act is amended by adding at the end thereof the following subsection:— Signature by Minister in absence of another.

“(2) This section shall be construed subject to the provisions of section eight.”.

4 After section seven of the Principal Act the following section is inserted:—

“8—(1) If at any time the Attorney-General is, by reason of ill-health, temporary absence from the seat of Government or from the State, or other like cause, unable to perform the duties of his office, the Governor may issue a commission under his hand and the public seal of the State appointing such one of the Ministers as may be specified in the commission as and to be the Acting Attorney-General for such period, or until the happening of such event, as may be specified therein. Appointment of Acting Attorney-General. Cf. No. 2151 of 1934 (S.A.), s. 67.

(2) A commission under this section shall take effect from such date as may be specified in that behalf in the commission.

(3) On and after the date from which a commission under this section takes effect, and during the continuance thereof, the Minister therein appointed as the Acting Attorney-General has, and may exercise, perform, and discharge all the powers, functions, discretions, authorities, obligations, and duties conferred or imposed by law upon the Attorney-General or appertaining to the office of Attorney-General in as full, complete, and effectual a manner as if he were the holder of the office of Attorney-General.”.

Transitory provisions.

5—(1) The Honourable *William Arthur Neilson*, the Minister for Education for the time being, shall be deemed to be, and at all times on and after the first day of March 1960 to have been, the Acting Attorney-General and capable of—

- (a) validly exercising, performing, and discharging all the powers, functions, discretions, authorities, obligations, and duties conferred or imposed by law upon the Attorney-General or appertaining to the office of Attorney-General; and
- (b) continuing validly to exercise, perform, and discharge those powers, functions, discretions, authorities, obligations, and duties until—
 - (i) the date on which some other person is appointed as the Acting Attorney-General in pursuance of section eight of the Principal Act; or
 - (ii) such date as the Governor, by order, may fix,

whichever is the earlier date,

as if this Act had been in force on the first day of March 1960 and he had, on that day, been appointed as the Acting Attorney-General in pursuance of that section.

WEST TAMAR WATER.

No. 14 of 1960.

AN ACT to make better provision for the supply of water within the municipality of Beaconsfield, and to repeal the *West Tamar Water Act 1938*.

[20 June 1960.]

BE it enacted by His Excellency the Governor of Tasmania, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, in Parliament assembled, as follows:—

1—(1) This Act may be cited as the *West Tamar Water Act 1960*.

(2) This Act shall be read and construed subject to the *Water Act 1957*.

Short title, construction, and commencement.