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An Act to amend "The South Australian Railways Commissioners Act, 1887."

[Assented to, October 14th, 1891.]

THEREAS it is expedient to amend "The South Australian Preamble. Railways Commissioners Act, 1887," in manner hereinafter provided—Be it therefore Enacted by the Governor of the Province of South Australia, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly of the said province, in this present Parliament assembled, as follows:

- 1. This Act may, for all purposes, be cited as "The South Aus- short title. tralian Railways Commissioners Act Amendment Act, 1891."
- 2. This Act shall be incorporated with "The South Australian Incorporation. Railways Commissioners Act, 1887," herein designated the principal Act, and shall (except so far as inconsistent therewith) be read and construed as one therewith.
- 3. So much of section 15 of the principal Act as follows the Repeal. word "vacancy," in the fourth line thereof, and so much of section 52 of the said Act as follows the word "province," in the fifth line thereof, is hereby repealed.
- 4. If the Chairman differs from the decision of the other two if Chairman differs Commissioners with respect to any matter before the Commissioners sioners, Minister to for their decision and determination, the Chairman shall enter determine. upon the minutes of the proceedings of the Commissioners his

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reasons at length for so differing; and the other two Commissioners shall also enter on the said minutes their respective reasons for differing from the Chairman; and the Chairman shall forward to the Minister a true copy of such minutes, certified under his hand; and the Minister, after reading the said minutes and obtaining such further information (if any) as he may deem necessary, shall decide and determine such matter, and shall, without delay, lay before Parliament such minutes and his decision thereon.

Minutes and decision to be laid before Parliament.

Certain contracts to be subject to approval.

5. The exercise by the Commissioners of the powers conferred upon them by sections 53, 58, and 63 of the principal Act shall in every case be subject to the approval of the Minister; and the Commissioners shall not, without the approval of the Governor, enter into any contract, the performance whereof shall extend over a period exceeding one year. When any rate is raised or lowered, or special terms of any kind are allowed to any person or to any particular species of traffic, intimation thereof shall forthwith be published in the Government Gazette.

New rates to be published in Gazette.

Regulations to be confirmed by Governor in Council.

6. No regulation hereafter to be made by the Commissioners under the authority of the principal Act shall have any force or effect until the same shall have been confirmed by the Governor and published in the Government Gazette.

Audit Act to apply to Commissioners.

7. Every Act now or hereafter in force for the regulation of the collection, receipt, or disbursement of moneys on account of the public service, or of the keeping or auditing of the public accounts, and all regulations made thereunder, shall, so far as the Governor may declare, apply to the Commissioners, as well as the South Australian Railway Commissioners as the Supply and Tender Board, and to all officers acting under their control.

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

KINTORE, Governor.