AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY AND JERVIS BAY (LANDS ACQUISITION).

No. 70 of 1955.

An Act relating to the Acquisition of Land in the Australian Capital Territory and the Jervis Bay Territory and Dealings with Land so Acquired.

[Assented to 4th November, 1955.]

BE it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, the Senate, and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, as follows:

1. This Act may be cited as the Australian Capital Territory and Jervis Bay (Lands Acquisition) Act 1955.

2. This Act shall come into operation on a date to be fixed by Proclamation.

3.-(1.) Section six of the Seat of Government Act 1908 is repealed.

(2.) The Seat of Government Act 1908, as amended by this section, may be cited as the Seat of Government Act 1908-1955.

4.—(1.) Section ten of the Seat of Government Acceptance Act 1909-1938 is repealed.

(2.) Notwithstanding the last preceding sub-section, the provisions of the Lands Acquisition Act 1906-1936, as applied by section ten of the Seat of Government Acceptance Act 1909-1938, continue to apply in relation to the acquisition of land acquired, or agreed to be acquired, before the commencement of this Act, in pursuance of the first-mentioned Act as so applied.

(3.) The Seat of Government Acceptance Act 1909-1938, as amended by this section, may be cited as the Seat of Government Acceptance Act 1909-1955.

5.—(1.) After section seven of the Seat of Government (Administration) Act 1910-1947 the following section is inserted:

"7A. The application of the Lands Acquisition Act 1955 in relation to land in the Territory does not prevent or affect the making or operation of a provision of an Ordinance or other law of the Territory (including an Ordinance or other law made before the commencement of this section) for or in relation to the resumption of land held under leases granted by or on behalf of the Crown in accordance with the provisions of those leases or otherwise on just terms."
(2.) Section nine A of the Seat of Government (Administration) Act 1910–1947 is repealed and the following section inserted in its stead:—

"9A. The application of the Lands Acquisition Act 1955 in relation to land in the Territory does not prevent or affect the making or operation of a provision of an Ordinance or other law of the Territory (including an Ordinance or other law made before the commencement of this section) by virtue of which—

(a) lands in the Territory acquired by or vested in the Commonwealth may be disposed of or otherwise dealt with;

(b) instruments, receipts and other documents in relation to any such lands may be executed; or

(c) rights, duties and liabilities in relation to any such lands are or may be acquired, conferred or imposed."

(3.) Section ten of the Seat of Government (Administration) Act 1910–1947 and the heading to that section are repealed.

(4.) An Ordinance made before the commencement of this Act under the Seat of Government (Administration) Act 1910, or under that Act as amended at any time, or regulations made before the commencement of this Act under such an Ordinance, containing provisions for or in relation to the resumption of land held under leases granted by or on behalf of the Crown shall not be deemed to have been, at any time before the commencement of this Act, invalid in whole or in part by reason of the provisions made by any Act for the acquisition of land in the Territory known, at the date of commencement of this Act, as the Australian Capital Territory or in the Jervis Bay Territory.


6.—(1.) Section seven of the Seat of Government (Administration) Act 1930–1935 is amended by omitting sub-section (1A.).


7.—(1.) Section six of the Jervis Bay Territory Acceptance Act 1915 is repealed.

(2.) Notwithstanding the last preceding sub-section, the provisions of the Lands Acquisition Act 1906–1936, as applied by section six of the Jervis Bay Territory Acceptance Act 1915, continue to apply in relation to the acquisition of land acquired, or agreed to be acquired, before the commencement of this Act, in pursuance of the first-mentioned Act as so applied.

(3.) The Jervis Bay Territory Acceptance Act 1915, as amended by this section, may be cited as the Jervis Bay Territory Acceptance Act 1915–1955.