

## BERRY FRUIT-GROWERS' RELIEF.

### No. 23 of 1941.

An Act to authorize the making of Loans to the State of Tasmania for the Purpose of Relief to Berry Fruit-growers, and for other purposes.

[Assented to 7th April, 1941.]

**B**E it enacted by the King'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 *Berry Fruit-growers' Relief Act* 1941. Short title.
2. This Act shall come into operation on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent. Commencement.
3. The Treasurer may make loans, not exceeding in the whole the sum of Twenty thousand pounds, to the State of Tasmania for the purpose of the alleviation by that State, in accordance with agreements made between the Commonwealth and the State, of hardship suffered by berry fruit-growers in consequence of damage to crops by frost or hail. Loans to State of Tasmania.
- 4.—(1.) Moneys loaned to the State in accordance with the provisions of this Act shall be repaid by that State to the Commonwealth by four equal annual payments, the first to be made not later than four years after the making of the loan and the last to be made not later than seven years after the making of the loan. Conditions of loan to State.
  - (2.) The State shall pay to the Commonwealth interest on the loans at the rate of three and one quarter per centum per annum.
5. During the first year after the making to the State of a loan in accordance with the provisions of this Act, the Treasurer may pay to the State a sum not exceeding the interest on the loan payable by the State to the Commonwealth in respect of that year, and, during Additional payments to State in respect of portion of interest.

each of the next following six years, the Treasurer may pay to the State a sum not exceeding one-half of the interest on the loan payable by the State to the Commonwealth in respect of that year.

**Appropriation.**

6. Moneys loaned or paid in accordance with the provisions of this Act shall be payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, which is hereby appropriated accordingly.

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## MINISTERS OF STATE.

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### No. 24 of 1941.

## An Act to amend the *Ministers of State Act 1935-1938.*

[Assented to 26th June, 1941.]

**B**E it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, the Senate, and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, as follows :—

**Short title and citation.**

- 1.—(1.) This Act may be cited as the *Ministers of State Act 1941*.  
 (2.) The *Ministers of State Act 1935-1938\**, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the *Ministers of State Act 1935-1941*.

**Commencement.**

2. This Act shall come into operation on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent.

3. After section five of the *Ministers of State Act 1935-1938* the following section is added :—

**Special provision during war.**

“ 6. Notwithstanding anything contained in sections three and four of this Act, during the continuance in operation of the *National Security Act 1939-1940*—

- (a) the number of Ministers of State may exceed eleven but shall not exceed nineteen ; and  
 (b) there shall be payable to the King, out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Commonwealth, which is hereby appropriated accordingly, for the salaries of the Ministers of State, in lieu of the sum specified in section four of this Act, an annual sum up to but not exceeding Twenty-one thousand two hundred and fifty pounds.”

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\* Act No. 35, 1935, as amended by No. 36, 1935 ; No. 29, 1936 ; and Nos. 2 and 44, 1938.