

LIGHTHOUSES.

No. 6 of 1919.

An Act to amend the *Lighthouses Act 1911-1915*.

[Assented to 2nd October, 1919.]

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

1.—(1.) This Act may be cited as the *Lighthouses Act 1919*.

Short title and citation.

(2.) The *Lighthouses Act 1911-1915* is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

(3.) The Principal Act as amended by this Act may be cited as the *Lighthouses Act 1911-1919*.

2. After section nineteen of the Principal Act the following sections are inserted :—

“19A. If any lighthouse or marine mark is damaged or destroyed by any person or ship, the person, or the master, owner, agent or charterer of the ship, as the case may be, shall be liable to pay to the Commonwealth the cost of repairing or replacing the lighthouse or marine mark, unless he proves that the damage or destruction of the lighthouse or marine mark was not caused through wilfulness, negligence, misconduct or want of skill.

Damage to be made good.

“19B. Any person who, or the master of any ship which, damages any lighthouse or marine mark shall in the following manner report the damage :—

Notice to be given of damage.

(a) Where the damage has been caused by a ship the master of the ship shall report the damage to the Collector at the ship's first port of call in Australia after the occurrence of the damage, and within twenty-four hours of the arrival of the ship at such port ;

(b) Where the damage has been caused otherwise than by a ship the person responsible for the damage shall report it, within forty-eight hours after its occurrence, to the Collector at the port nearest to the place where the damage occurred.

Penalty for any breach of this section : One hundred pounds.”