

2. After section seven D of the Principal Act the following section is inserted :—

Bank may use
gold to pay
Commonwealth
indebtedness.

“ 7E. The Treasurer may, from time to time, notify the Board in writing that it is, in his opinion, desirable that the Board use for the discharge of the indebtedness of the Commonwealth in London in respect of Treasury Bills maturing on the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, such amount of gold held by the Bank or by the Board as is specified in the notice, and the Board may, if it agrees with the opinion notified to it, cause the gold specified in the notice to be so used accordingly, and the Treasurer shall, in exchange for any gold so used, issue to the Bank Commonwealth securities to an equivalent amount :

Provided that the amount of gold which may be used under the authority of this section shall not exceed Five million pounds.”

Gold Reserve.

3. Section sixty K of the Principal Act is amended—

- (a) by omitting from sub-section (1.) the word “ one-fourth ” and inserting in its stead the words “ fifteen per centum ”; and
- (b) by omitting from sub-section (1.) the word “ issued ” and inserting in its stead the words “ on issue during the two years ending on the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-three, not less than eighteen per centum of such notes on issue during the year ending on the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-four, not less than twenty-one and one-half per centum of such notes on issue during the year ending on the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-five, and not less than twenty-five per centum of such notes on issue after the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-five ”.

NORTHERN TERRITORY (ADMINIS- TRATION) (No. 2).

No. 7 of 1931.

An Act to amend the *Northern Territory
(Administration) Act* 1910-1931.

[Assented to 26th June, 1931.]

BE 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 *Northern Territory (Administration) Act* (No. 2) 1931.

(2.) Sub-section (3.) of section one of the *Northern Territory (Administration) Act 1931* is repealed.

(3.) The *Northern Territory (Administration) Act 1910-1926*, as amended by the *Northern Territory (Administration) Act 1931* and by this Act, may be cited as the *Northern Territory (Administration) Act 1910-1931*.

2. This Act shall be deemed to have commenced upon the date of the commencement of the *Northern Territory (Administration) Act 1931*. Commencement.

3. After section four of the *Northern Territory (Administration) Act 1910-1926*, as amended by the *Northern Territory (Administration) Act 1931*, the following section is inserted:—

“4A.—(1.) The Governor-General may authorize the Administrator to appoint any person to be the deputy of the Administrator within any part of the Territory, and in that capacity to exercise during the pleasure of the Administrator such powers and functions of the Administrator as he thinks fit to assign to such deputy subject to any limitations expressed or directions given by the Minister. Appointment of Deputy Administrator.

“(2.) The appointment of a deputy shall not affect the exercise or performance by the Administrator himself of any power or function.”.

4. After section seventeen of the *Northern Territory (Administration) Act 1910-1926*, as amended by the *Northern Territory (Administration) Act 1931*, the following section is inserted:—

“17A. Any person who was a member or officer of the North Australia Commission constituted under the Act repealed by this Act and who— Preservation of rights of officers and Commissioners.

- (a) held office in that capacity immediately prior to the commencement of this section;
- (b) on becoming such member or officer retained his existing and accruing rights by virtue of section thirteen or section fourteen of the Act so repealed; and
- (c) is continued in employment by the Commonwealth or any authority under the Commonwealth

shall in such employment retain his existing and accruing rights and, for that purpose, his service as such member or officer shall be included as part of his service in such employment.”.

5. Section eighteen of the *Northern Territory (Administration) Act 1910-1926*, as amended by the *Northern Territory (Administration) Act 1931*, is repealed and the following section inserted in its stead:—

“18.—(1.) The Supreme Court of North Australia shall continue in the Territory as the Supreme Court of the Northern Territory and the Supreme Court of Central Australia is hereby abolished. Continuance of Courts.

“(2.) Any action or legal proceeding pending, at the date of commencement of this Act, in the Supreme Court of North Australia or the Supreme Court of Central Australia, shall, by virtue of this section, be transferred to the Supreme Court of the Northern Territory.

“(3.) Until other provision is made by or under any law of the Commonwealth—

- (a) all other Courts of Justice in existence in North Australia or Central Australia shall continue in the Territory as Courts of the Territory; and
- (b) the jurisdiction, practice and procedure of any Court which continues in pursuance of this section in the Territory shall continue as the jurisdiction, practice and procedure of that Court.”.

SUPPLY (No. 1) 1931-32.

No. 8 of 1931.

An Act to grant and apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and thirty-two.

[Assented to 27th June, 1931.]

Preamble.

BE it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, for the purpose of appropriating the grant originated in the House of Representatives, as follows :—

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the *Supply Act (No. 1) 1931-32*.

Issue and application of £2,409,780.

2. There shall and may be issued and applied for or towards making good the supply hereby granted to His Majesty for the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and thirty-two, the sum of Two million four hundred and nine thousand seven hundred and eighty pounds out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the purposes and services expressed in the Schedule to this Act, and the Treasurer is hereby authorized and empowered to issue and apply the moneys authorized to be issued and applied.

Sum available for the purposes set forth in Schedule.

3. The said sum shall be available to satisfy the warrants under the hand of the Governor-General in respect of any purposes and services set forth in the said Schedule.