STATES LOAN.

No. 17 of 1916.

An Act to authorize the Raising of Moneys to be Loaned to, and the Advancing of Moneys to, certain States.

[Assented to 30th May, 1916.]

B 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 States Loan Act 1916.

2. The Treasurer may from time to time borrow in the United Kingdom Eight million nine hundred and forty thousand pounds.

Short title and citation. Treasurer may borrow £8,940,000.

⁽a) Proclaimed to commence on 1st July, 1916. See Gazette, 22nd June, 1916, p. 1364.

3. The rate of interest, the date of repayment and the form of

Conditions of loan.

Payment of principal and interest.

Application of moneys.

4. The principal moneys borrowed under this Act shall be repayable and the interest thereon shall be payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund which is hereby appropriated for the purpose.

security issued in respect of borrowings under this Act may be such

as are approved by the Governor-General.

5. Moneys borrowed under this Act shall be issued and applied only for the expenses of borrowing and for the purpose of making loans to the States in amounts which shall not in the case of any State exceed in the aggregate the amount shown opposite the name of the State in the following table :---

Victoria	•••	•••	£1,720,000
Queensland	•••	•••	2,562,000
South Australia	•••	•••	2,062,000
Western Australia	•••	•••	2,080,000
Tasmania	•••	•••	516,000
			£8,940,000

Authouity to make Advances

6.—(1.) Pending the borrowing of the moneys authorized to be borrowed under section two of this Act, the Treasurer may advance to the respective States out of loans made by the Government of the United Kingdom to the Commonwealth to meet the cost of the present war, the sums shown in the next preceding section.

(2.) The Treasurer shall out of moneys borrowed under section two of this Act immediately repay the sums advanced to the States under this section.

7. This Act shall be deemed to have come into operation on the twentieth day of December One thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

8. The Governor-General may make Regulations not inconsistent with this Act prescribing all matters which by this Act are required or permitted to be prescribed or which are necessary or convenient to be prescribed for carrying out or giving effect to this Act.

to States to amount of £8,940,000.

Date of commencement.

Regulations.