

(4) For the purposes of this section the expression 'any person' in subsection (1) includes not only persons engaged in or connected with an industrial dispute but also any person engaged in or connected with any dispute relating to industrial matters and related in any way to an industrial dispute; and also includes any person, whether connected with an industrial dispute or not, whose presence at a conference convened under the authority of this section would, in the opinion of the Minister, be likely to conduce to the prevention or settlement of an industrial dispute.

(5) In this section—

'Industrial dispute' means any dispute in relation to industrial matters and includes any threatened, or impending, or probable industrial dispute:

'Industrial matters' means all matters affecting or relating to the relations of employers and employees in any trade, or their respective rights, privileges, duties, or obligations."

BUILDERS' LOANS.

No. 9 of 1950.

AN ACT to authorise the making of loans to builders, and the borrowing and application of a sum not exceeding £10,000 for the purpose of enabling such loans to be made, and to provide for matters incidental thereto. [9 January, 1950.]

BE it enacted by His Excellency the Governor of Tasmania, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, in Parliament assembled, as follows:—

1 This Act may be cited as the *Builders' Loans Act 1950*. Short title.

2 In this Act, unless the contrary intention appears:— Interpre-

"builder" means a person who is engaged in the construction of the external walls and structural parts of buildings for a fixed sum, percentage, or valuable consideration, or for reward other than wages;

"construction" includes any alteration, repair, or improvement of, or any addition to, any building.

Power of
Minister to
make loans
to certain
builders.

3—(1) Subject to this Act, the Minister may make to any builder to whom this section applies such loans as the Minister thinks fit for—

- (a) defraying the costs of the purchase or hire by the builder of any building materials, or any equipment, plant, implements, or machinery required by the builder for use in or in connection with the construction of buildings; and
- (b) the purposes of the payment of wages in respect of the employment by the builder of persons who, in the opinion of the Minister, are essential for carrying on the building operations of the builder.

(2) The aggregate amount of all loans made to any one builder under the authority of this Act shall not exceed such amount as may be prescribed.

(3) Before any loan is made under the authority of this Act, the builder to whom the same is to be made shall execute an agreement in the prescribed form with the Minister for the repayment of the loan over such period as may be specified in the agreement, and for the payment of interest on the amount owing from time to time at such rate not less than four and a half per cent per annum as may be prescribed, and every such agreement shall contain a condition that if the builder ceases to reside in this State the whole of the unpaid instalments and interest shall be payable forthwith.

(4) Every loan made under the authority of this Act shall be made—

- (a) in respect of the contract or engagement in respect of which the borrower is a builder to whom this section applies;
- (b) repayable on or before payment in full of the contract price, or where there is no contract price, complete performance of the contract by the building owner; and
- (c) upon such security as the Minister may require.

(5) In this section, the expression “builder to whom this section applies” means a builder who has entered into any contract or engagement with the State, or with any department or instrumentality of the State, for the construction of any building for or on behalf of the State or such department or instrumentality, or who has lodged with any Minister or with any such department or instrumentality any tender with respect to, or in connection with, the construction of any such building.

(6) In any contract of loan made under this section with a builder to whom this section applies and who has not entered into any contract or engagement specified in subsection (5) of this section, payment to the borrower shall be conditional upon, and shall not be made until, acceptance of his tender.

4—(1) In lieu of or in addition to making a loan to a builder under the authority of section three, the Minister may—

Guarantee in lieu of loans.

- (a) guarantee, to such extent as he thinks proper, the repayment by the builder of the amount of any loan made by any person to the builder which could have been made by the Minister under the authority of that section; or
- (b) where any equipment, plant, implement, or machinery is in the possession of a builder under a hire-purchase or hiring agreement, guarantee the payment by the builder to the owner of such equipment, plant, implement, or machinery, of such an amount as the Minister thinks proper, if the owner agrees to forego, for such period and in such manner as the Minister requires, the exercise of any right or power to retake possession of, or otherwise to dispossess the builder of, such equipment, plant, implement, or machinery.

(2) The amount payable under any guarantee by the Minister pursuant to this section shall be deemed to be a loan under this Act to the builder, and the provisions of this Act with respect to loans and securities for loans, and the repayment of loans, and the payment of interest thereon, shall, so far as the same are applicable, extend and apply to and in respect of such guarantees accordingly.

5 The Treasurer may, for the purposes of this Act, borrow any sums of money not exceeding in the whole the sum of £10,000.

Power of Treasurer to borrow £10,000.

6 The moneys borrowed under the authority of section five shall be applied by the Minister in and towards the making of loans under the authority of this Act.

Application of moneys borrowed.

7—(1) There shall be opened and kept in the books of the Treasury an account to be called the Builders' Loans Act Account (in this section called "the Account").

Financial provisions.

(2) There shall be debited to the Account the amount of all loans made to builders by the Minister under the authority of this Act.

(3) There shall be credited to the Account all repayments of principal made by builders to whom loans have been made under the authority of this Act.

(4) All amounts paid by builders to whom loans have been made under the authority of this Act by way of interest in respect of such loans shall be paid into the Consolidated Revenue.

(5) All costs and expenses incurred in the administration of this Act shall be defrayed out of moneys to be provided by Parliament for that purpose.

Regulations.

8 The Governor may make regulations 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 the provisions of this Act.

TUBERCULOSIS (CAMPAIGN ARRANGEMENTS).

No. 10 of 1950.

AN ACT to give effect to certain Arrangements between the State and the Commonwealth for a Tuberculosis Campaign and to amend the *Tuberculosis Act* 1949. [9 January, 1950]

BE it enacted by His Excellency the Governor of Tasmania, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, in Parliament assembled, as follows:—

Short title and incorporation.

1—(1) This Act may be cited as the *Tuberculosis (Campaign Arrangements) Act* 1950.

(2) This Act shall be read and construed as one with the *Tuberculosis Act* 1949* (hereinafter referred to as the Principal Act).

Duration of campaign: Amendment of No. 20 of 1949, s. 16.

2—(1) The Governor shall, so far as the exigencies of the public service and the moneys provided by Parliament allow, for the next eight years cause all lawful and proper measures to be taken to reduce the incidence of tuberculosis in the State and to provide adequate facilities for the diagnosis, treatment and control of that disease.

(2) Section sixteen of the Principal Act is amended by omitting the figures "1950" and substituting therefor the figures "1958".