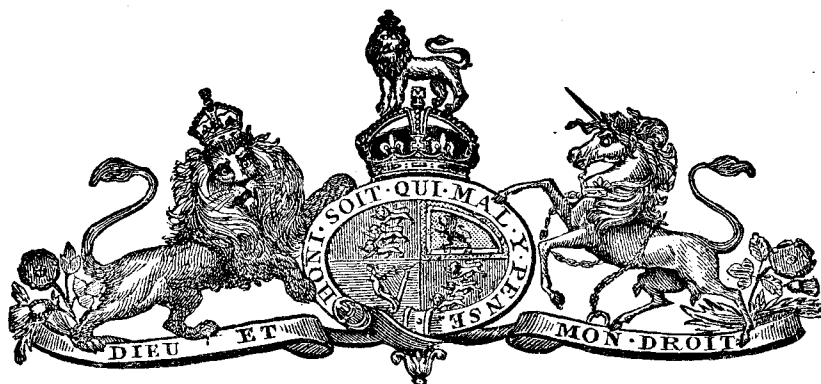


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AN ACT to authorise and empower the Minister controlling the State Hydro-Electric Department to take over certain Lighting Undertakings initiated and established by the Municipal Councils of the Municipalities of Deloraine, Westbury, Longford, and Evandale respectively.

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[17 September, 1928.]

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 Rural Districts Electrical Undertakings Act, 1928.” Short title.

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Interpretation.

2 In this Act, unless the contrary intention appears—

“Agreement” means an agreement made and entered into by or on behalf of the Minister with the corporation for the purposes mentioned in Section Three of this Act :

“Lighting Act” means such one of the Acts enumerated in the schedule hereto as may be indicated by or appropriate to the context :

“The Corporation” means the Warden, councillors, and electors of the respective Municipalities of Deloraine, Westbury, Longford, or Evandale, as the case may be :

“The Minister” means the responsible Minister of the Crown charged for the time being with the administration of the State Hydro-Electric Department (hereinafter called “the Department”):

“Undertaking” means an undertaking initiated or established by or on behalf of a corporation for the supply of electrical energy within one of the Municipalities aforesaid.

Power for Minister to acquire undertakings.

3—(1) It shall be lawful for the Minister to acquire and take over from the respective corporations of the aforesaid Municipalities all or any of their undertakings upon such terms and subject to such conditions as the Minister and the corporation in each case may agree, and the corporations are hereby empowered to transfer and hand over the same to the Minister accordingly.

(2) All agreements entered into by or on behalf of the Minister with the corporations or any of them in anticipation of the passing of this Act and for the purpose of giving effect to the objects thereof shall be deemed to have been made under and for the purposes of this Act, and shall have the same force and effect as if made after its commencement.

Transfer of loans and obligations.

4—(1) Upon the passing of this Act, the Minister shall repay to the Treasurer the net amount, if any, due from each corporation in respect of all loans received by such corporation from the Treasurer under and for the purposes of its Lighting Act.

(2) Such net amount shall be ascertained by deducting from the amount of each such loan the amount standing to the credit of the sinking fund established for its redemption as at the date upon which the undertaking is taken over as aforesaid.

(3) As from the date last mentioned, all such sinking funds shall be paid to, and applied by, the Treasurer towards the redemption of the respective loans for which the same were established, and all moneys received or held by the Commissioners of the Public Debts Sinking Fund in respect thereof shall be paid by them to the Treasurer accordingly.

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(4) Upon such payment as aforesaid, all obligation and liability of the corporation to the Treasurer in respect of any of the loans aforesaid shall cease and determine, and the corporation shall be responsible only for such contributions as may be provided by its agreement.

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5 It shall be lawful for the Minister to apply and expend for the purposes of this Act, or in or towards the execution or extension of any works required in relation thereto, the sum of Sixteen thousand seven hundred and forty-five Pounds Ten Shillings and Eightpence, portion of the moneys appropriated by the State Hydro-Electric Works Execution Act, 1921, for Item Five in the schedule thereto, and the Treasurer is hereby empowered to reappropriate the said sum accordingly.

Reappropriation of unexpended moneys for the purposes of this Act.

12 Geo. V. No. 45.

6—(1) From and after the commencement of this Act, it shall not be lawful for a corporation to exercise any of the powers conferred upon it by its Lighting Act except the power of rating.

Limitation of powers of corporation.

(2) Such power of rating may be exercised from time to time by the corporation for the purpose of raising all or any part of the money required for any payments which the corporation is required by its agreement to make to the Minister or to the State Hydro-Electric Department.

SCHEDULE.

Regnal Year and Number.	Title of Act.	Amount Authorised.
3 Ed. VII. No. 44	The Longford Lighting Act, 1903	£ 3000
2 Geo. V. No. 57	The Longford Lighting Loan Act, 1911	1000
16 Geo. V. No. 18	The Longford Lighting Act, 1925	1250
4 Ed. VII. No. 35	The Deloraine Lighting Act, 1904	5000
8 Ed. VII. No. 26	The Deloraine Lighting Act, 1908	2500
18 Geo. V. No. 39	The Westbury Lighting Act, 1927	6000
18 Geo. V. No. 88	The Evandale Lighting Act, 1927	3000

