

NAVIGATION AMENDMENT (HARBOUR AND RIVER RATE) BILL.

RESOLVED:

That there be levied, charged, collected and paid under the Navigation Act, 1901, for the use of His Majesty and to form part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund in lieu of the harbour and light rate imposed by that Act, a half-yearly harbour and river rate of five shillings or of four pence per ton, whichever amount is the greater, subject to the exemptions and provisions hereunder.

That payments shall be made in each year at the prescribed times and in accordance with section sixty-two of the Navigation Act, 1901.

That a half-yearly payment in respect of any such ship at any such port shall exempt her from any further charge at any port within the jurisdiction for harbour and river rate for the period of six months.

That the following ships shall be exempt from payment of the aforesaid rate:—

- (a) ships employed in the whaling trade;
- (b) mission ships; and
- (c) ships arriving or departing from any port under the circumstances set out in paragraph (b) or paragraph (c) of subsection one of section fifty-nine of the Navigation Act, 1901, upon which the pilotage rate is fixed by any such paragraph at one penny farthing per ton.

That in the case of a ship out of commission other than for docking or repairs for a period of not less than three months the rate payable shall be two shillings and six pence or one penny per ton, whichever amount is the greater, for each completed three months that the ship is out of commission.

That in addition to the persons authorised to receive rates under the Navigation Act, 1901, provision be made to enable the appointment by the Treasurer of persons authorised to so receive the rates imposed by that Act and the rate to be imposed in pursuance of this resolution.

That the terms used in this resolution shall have the meanings ascribed to the like terms by the said Act.

[CONFIDENTIAL]

(Rough Draft for Consideration Only.)

No. , 1928.

A BILL

To impose a harbour and river rate; to amend the Navigation Act, 1901; and for purposes connected therewith.

BE it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the "Navigation short title. Amendment (Harbour and River Rate) Act, 1928."

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2. The Navigation Act, 1901, is amended— (a) by omitting section sixty-one and by inserting of Act No. 60,

in lieu thereof the following new section:—

Amendment

- 61. (1) There shall be paid at every port Harbour and within the jurisdiction upon every ship whether river rate. propelled by steam or otherwise a half-yearly harbour and river rate of five shillings or of four pence per ton, whichever amount is the greater.
- (2) Payments shall be made in each year at the prescribed times and in accordance with section sixty-two of this Act.
- (3) A half-yearly payment in respect of any such ship at any such port shall exempt her from any further charge at any port within the jurisdiction for harbour and river rate for the period of six months.
- (4) The following ships shall be exempt from payment of the aforesaid rate:

(a) ships employed in the whaling trade;

(b) mission ships; and

(c) ships arriving or departing from any port under the circumstances set out in paragraph (b) or paragraph (c) of subsection one of section fifty-nine upon which the pilotage rate is fixed by any such paragraph at one penny farthing per ton.

(5) In the case of a ship out of commission other than for docking or repairs for a period of not less than three months, the rate payable shall be two shillings and six pence, or one penny per ton, whichever amount is the greater, for each completed three months that

the ship is out of commission.

(b) (i) by inserting in subsection one of section Sec. 62. sixty-two after the words "Collector of (To whom rates paid.) Customs" the words "or to a person authorised by the Treasurer to receive the same";

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(ii) by inserting in the same subsection after the words "such collector" the words "or person so authorised";

(iii) by omitting subsection three of the same section and by inserting in lieu thereof the

following new subsection:-

(3) No ship to which this Act applies shall leave any port within the jurisdiction until all rates and dues authorised by this. Act have been paid, and a certificate that such payment has been made has been given by a person entitled to receive such payment.