

[CONFIDENTIAL.]

No. , 1912.

A BILL

To charge shires and municipal councils with the care and management of public parks and recreation grounds.

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 "Public Parks Act, 1912," and shall commence and come into operation on the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred and twelve. Short title and commencement.

2. "Public Park" means land now or hereafter reserved, set apart, dedicated, or granted by the Crown under the provisions of the Crown Lands Acts or otherwise for purposes of public recreation, or as a site for a public park, or proclaimed to be a public park within the meaning of the Public Parks Act, 1902. Definition.

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3. The council of a municipality or shire, as constituted under the Local Government Act, 1906, is hereby charged with the care and management, subject to the provisions of the said Act, of every public park within its area, and any trust heretofore created in respect of any such public park is hereby dissolved, and all powers and duties of such trust and of the members thereof shall, without prejudice to anything done or commenced or contracted to be done, cease and determine, and all assets and liabilities of such trust shall be the assets and liabilities of the council.

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Dissolution of trusts.

4. The provisions of this Act shall not apply to or affect— *Exceptions.*

- (1) the lands particularized in the Schedule hereto ;
- (2) any public park that may hereafter be declared by the Minister for Lands by notice in the Gazette to be excepted from the operation of this Act :

Provided however that the Minister for Lands may at any time *Proviso.* by notice in the Gazette cancel any declaration as aforesaid, and may by like notice declare any of the lands particularized in the Schedule hereto to be subject to the provisions of this Act, and thereupon the provisions of this Act shall apply to the land mentioned in such notice.

5. Nothing herein shall affect the provisions of the Crown *Saving.* Lands Acts and Public Trusts Act, 1897, so far as they relate to the revocation wholly or in part of any reservation or the resumption wholly or in part of any dedication or dedication and grant.

SCHEDULE.

- THE Centennial Park, Sydney, appropriated under the Centenary Celebration Act.
- Wentworth Park, Glebe, proclaimed 10th November, 1885.
- Vauluse Park, proclaimed 24th August, 1911.
- The Public Park at Kurnell, known as " Captain Cook's Landing Place," proclaimed 9th July, 1902.
- Reserve No. 42,270, at Kurnell, notified 18th December, 1907, for public recreation.
- The National Park, Port Hacking, and any lands reserved or dedicated for addition thereto.
- The Ku-ring-gai Chase, Hawkesbury River, and any lands reserved or dedicated for addition thereto.
- Ashton Park, Bradley's Head, proclaimed 30th December, 1908.
- The land at Belmore Falls (Barrangarry), area 1,971 acres, dedicated 5th November, 1886, for public recreation.
- The land at Fitzroy Falls, Yarrunga, area 135 acres, dedicated 11th January, 1889, for public recreation.
- Reserve No. 27,316, at Fitzroy Falls, Yarrunga, notified 5th March, 1898, for public recreation.
- Reserve 4,994, at Carrington Falls, Robertson, notified 17th December, 1887, for public recreation.

Reserve

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Reserve 43,490, at Ellenborough Falls, notified 10th February, 1909, for public recreation and preservation of native flora.

The land at Minnamurra Falls, area 47 acres, dedicated 27th August, 1904, for public recreation.

The following lands on the Blue Mountains:—

At or near Glenbrook: 111 acres, dedicated 24th September, 1889, 9 acres and 8¼ acres, dedicated 21st August, 1897, for public recreation; and reserves 25,932, notified 1st May, 1897, and 26,979, notified 11th December, 1897, for public recreation.

At or near Springwood: 214 acres, dedicated 23rd April, 1895, known as Hawkesbury View Park; 270 acres, dedicated 23rd April, 1895, known as Yellow Rock Park; Lomatia Park, proclaimed 15th January, 1895.

At or near Linden: Linden Park, proclaimed 29th November, 1887.

At or near Hazlebrook: 477 acres (known as "The Terraces"), dedicated 9th June, 1897, for public recreation. 2 acres 1 rood 4 perches, dedicated 5th January, 1886, for public recreation. Reserves Nos. 23,840 and 23,842, notified 21st March, 1906, for public recreation.

At or near Lawson: North Lawson Park, proclaimed 16th August, 1887. 2 acres 1 rood 14 perches (residue of 2 acres 3 roods 14 perches), dedicated 15th January, 1886; 2 roods 4 perches, dedicated 4th July, 1896; and 310 acres (known as South Lawson Park), dedicated 17th February, 1909, for public recreation. Reserves Nos. 27,339, notified 12th March, 1898; 27,788, notified 18th June, 1898; and 42,370, notified 22nd January, 1908, for public recreation.

At or near Wentworth Falls: 5 acres 2 roods, dedicated 7th May, 1886, for public recreation. Reserves Nos. 27,656, notified 21st May, 1898; 37,521, notified 23rd March, 1904; 37,435, notified 24th February, 1904; 40,157, notified 27th January, 1906; 43,700, notified 17th November, 1909; 46,890, 46,892, 46,894, 46,896, and 46,898, notified 16th August, 1911, for public recreation. Reserve No. 34,799, notified 2nd August, 1902, for public baths and public recreation.

At or near Leura: Reserve 213, notified 8th December, 1884, and 29,223, notified 15th April, 1899, for public recreation.

At or near Medlow Bath: Reserve 33,660, notified 15th March, 1902, for public recreation.

At or near Blackheath: 845 acres (known as "Govett's Leap"), dedicated 14th October, 1881, for public recreation. Reserves Nos. 29,377, notified 20th May, 1899; 31,669, notified 27th October, 1900; 35,295 and 35,296, notified 15th November, 1902; 37,359, notified 12th March, 1904, and 43,438, notified 28th January, 1909, for public recreation.

At or near Mount Victoria: 7 acres 1 rood 21 perches, dedicated 21st April, 1880, for public recreation. Reserves 24,139, notified 30th May, 1896, and 43,780, notified 21st May, 1909, for public recreation. 380 acres, being residue of 156 acres 3 roods, dedicated 14th March, 1881, and 230 acres 1 rood, dedicated 29th March, 1888, for public recreation at Mount Piddington. 150 acres, dedicated 14th March, 1881, and 86 acres 1 rood, dedicated 9th November, 1904, at Mount York, for public recreation.

At or near Mount Wilson: 28 acres and 61 acres, dedicated 9th June, 1897, for public recreation. Reserves 40,754, notified 8th August, 1906; 42,791, notified 10th June, 1908; 43,745, and 43,746, notified 17th March, 1909, for public recreation.

The following lands at Bundanoon:—Reserves Nos. 210, notified 11th July, 1883; 213, notified 19th September, 1883; 2,441, notified 2nd October, 1886; 9,311, notified 6th July, 1889; 14,906, notified 12th October, 1891; and 37,139, notified 30th January, 1904, for public recreation.