

No. , 1920.

A BILL

To provide for the preservation, in the public interest, of lands suitable for public recreation, and for the resumption of such lands or lands adjacent thereto, or in the vicinity thereof; to control the subdivision or sale of the same; to amend the Crown Lands Acts; 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 "Public Recreation Grounds Act, 1920."



2. In this Act, unless inconsistent with the context or subject matter—

“Minister” means the Minister for Lands.

“Prescribed” means prescribed by regulations under this Act.

3. The Minister may at any time, and from time to time, declare by notification published in the Gazette that any area of land, to be described in such notification, is considered to be suitable for public recreation or should be preserved in the public interest, and is not to be sold or subdivided for sale or otherwise without the written consent of the Minister, which must be obtained beforehand.

4. Upon the publication of any such notification, no tree, scrub, bush, or other growth (unless a growth which may have been notified as a noxious growth or weed) shall be cut, destroyed, broken, or removed on or from such land without the written consent of the Minister, under a penalty of *ten* pounds for each offence.

5. The Minister may at any time resume any land or part of any land so notified, and the value of any land so resumed shall be determined by the local land board in the manner provided by section one hundred and ninety-seven of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, which section shall, *mutatis mutandis*, apply to any land resumed under this Act.

6. A copy of every notification made in pursuance of this Act shall be laid before both Houses of Parliament as soon as practicable.

7. The Governor may make regulations which in his opinion are necessary or expedient for the purpose of giving full effect to the provisions of this Act.

All regulations under this Act shall be published in the Gazette and a copy thereof shall be laid before both Houses of Parliament within fourteen days after the publication thereof if Parliament be then in session, or otherwise within fourteen days after the commencement of the next ensuing session. If either House of Parliament passes a resolution which has been given at any time within fifteen days after such regulations have been laid before such House disallowing any regulation, such regulations shall thereupon cease to have effect.