

[CONFIDENTIAL.]

(Rough Draft for Consideration Only.)

No. , 1910.

A BILL

To prohibit the use of white phosphorus in the manufacture of matches ; to prohibit the sale of matches made with white phosphorus ; to amend the Factories and Shops Act of 1896 ; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

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 " White Phosphorus Matches Short title. Prohibition Act, 1910," and shall come into operation on the day of , one thousand nine hundred and .

2. In this Act, " white phosphorus " means the substance Definition. usually known as white or yellow phosphorus.

This definition shall be inserted at the end of section two of the Factories and Shops Act of 1906.

White Phosphorus Matches Prohibition.

3. If any person manufactures or causes to be manufactured any matches in the manufacture of which white phosphorus is used he shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding pounds. Such penalty may be recovered in a court of petty sessions, and such court may, in addition to imposing any such penalty, forfeit any white phosphorus, or any matches made with the same, which are apparently in the possession of the said person.

Penalty for making matches with white phosphorus.

4. If any person sells, or offers or exposes for sale, or has in his possession for the purposes of sale, any matches made with white phosphorus, he may, on complaint to a court of petty sessions, be ordered to forfeit any such matches in his possession. Any matches so forfeited shall be destroyed or otherwise dealt with as the court may think fit.

Forfeiture of matches made with white phosphorus.

5. The following sections are inserted at the end of Part III of the Factories and Shops Act of 1896 :—

Amendment of Factories and Shops Act.

25c. Any factory in which white phosphorus is used in the manufacture of matches shall be deemed to be a factory not kept in conformity with this Act.

25d. The occupier of a factory in which the manufacture of matches is carried on shall allow an inspector at any time to take for analysis sufficient samples of any material therein in use or mixed for use, and if he refuses to do so he shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding *twenty* pounds :

Provided that the inspector, at the request of the said occupier, shall divide any such sample into two parts, to be then and there separated, and shall label or mark and seal or fasten up each part in such manner as its nature will permit, and shall deliver one of the said parts to the said occupier, or his agent or servant, and shall retain the other part for analysis.



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