NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

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This reprint shows the Act as in force at 1 April 1985. Any amendments that commence after that date are not included.

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An Act to remove doubt as to the law in force in the Territory by declaring the law to be taken to have been in force in 1863 in the geographical area that now constitutes the Territory

1 Short title

This Act may be cited as the *Sources of the Law Act 1985*.

2 Declaration of law in force on annexation to South Australia

(1) Where a question arises as to whether a law in force before 22 September 1863 is still, or was at a particular date, a part of the law of the whole or any part of the geographical area that now constitutes the Territory, the law in force in the Colony of South Australia immediately before 22 September 1863 (including the common law and statutes of England applicable to that Colony) shall, subject to sub-section (2), be taken for all purposes to be, to the exclusion of any other law that at any time before that date was in force in the whole or any part of that geographical area, the law in force in that area on that date, so far as it was applicable thereto.

(2) A statute listed in the Schedule, and any statute repealed by a statute so listed, shall not be taken to be a law in force on or immediately before, or at any time after, 22 September 1863 in the geographical area referred to in subsection (1).

3 Date of application of imperial law

In all questions as to the applicability of a law or statute of England to the Territory, the Territory shall be deemed to have been established on 28 December 1836.

Schedule

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Number of Act	Title of Act
No. 9 of 1853	An Act to regulate the occupation of Crown Lands in South Australia.
No. 5 of 1857-8	An Act for regulating the Sale and other disposal of Waste Lands belonging to the Crown in South Australia.
No. 18 of 1858	An Act to amend the "Waste Lands Act.".
No. 20 of 1858	An Act for an Assessment on Stock, and for other purposes therein mentioned.
No. 13 of 1859	An Act to provide for the Definition of Boundaries of Runs and the Survey of Lands for Mineral purposes by means of Licensed Surveyors.
No. 7 of 1861	An Act to amend an Act, No. 20 of 22nd Victoria, intituled "An Act for an Assessment on Stock, and for other purposes therein mentioned.".
No. 16 of 1862	An Act to provide for an appeal against Assessments of the Waste Lands of the Crown leased for Pastoral Purposes.
No. 17 of 1862	An Act to provide for the future appropriation of the proceeds of the Waste Lands of the Crown in the Province of South Australia.
No. 22 of 1862	An Act to further amend an Act No. 20 of 22nd Victoria, intituled "An Act for an Assessment on Stock, and for other purposes therein mentioned.".
No. 13 of 1863	An Act to provide for the reduction of the Assessment of certain Pastoral Lands.
No. 2 of 1864	An Act to enable the Governor to Lease, for mineral purposes, Lands the property of the Government, not being Waste Lands of the Crown.
No. 8 of 1864	An Act to authorize certain reductions in the valuation of runs, under the Act intituled An Act for an Assessment on Stock, and for other purposes therein mentioned; and to provide for the compensation for improvements, to be allowed on resumption, to lessees of Pastoral Lands under renewed leases.

No. 22 of 1864	An Act to extend the terms of certain leases of the Waste Lands of the Crown for pastoral purposes; and to make provision for payment, in certain cases, for improvements effected on lands comprised in leases granted for renewed terms, under the Act No. 20 of 1858, intituled "An Act for an assessment on Stock, and for other purposes therein mentioned.".
No. 6 of 1865-6	An Act to repeal an Ordinance, No. 10 of 1846, "To encourage the Fencing of Land," and to make other provisions in lieu thereof.
No. 8 of 1865-6	An Act to amend Act No. 18 of 1858, intituled "An Act to amend the Waste Lands Act.".
No. 16 of 1865-6	An Act to amend the laws relating to the Leasing of the Waste Lands of the Crown, within the Province of South Australia, for Pastoral Purposes.
No. 23 of 1867	An Act to repeal "The Mineral Leases Act, 1862," and to make other provisions for the leasing and occupation of the Waste Lands of the Crown in the Province of South Australia for mineral purposes.
No. 13 of 1868-9	An Act to amend "The Waste Lands Amendment Act, 1867.".
No. 14 of 1868-9	An Act to further amend the "Waste Lands Act.".
No. 4 of 1869-70	An Act to amend the Waste Lands Amendment Act, 1868-9.
No. 17 of 1869-70	An Act to amend the Laws relating to the Leasing, for Pastoral purposes, of certain of the Waste Lands of the Crown, in the Province of South Australia, and for other purposes.
No. 26 of 1870-71	An Act to amend the Laws relating to Gold Mining and for other purposes.
No. 27 of 1870-71	An Act to further amend "The Waste Lands Amendment Act, 1868-9.".
No. 18 of 1872	An Act to Regulate the Alienation and Sale of the Waste Lands of the Crown.

ENDNOTES

1 KEY

Key to abbreviations

amd = amended
app = appendix
bl = by-law
ch = Chapter
cl = clause
div = Division
exp = expires/expired
f = forms
Gaz = *Gazette*
hdg = heading
ins = inserted
lt = long title
nc = not commenced
od = order
om = omitted
pt = Part
r = regulation/rule
rem = remainder
renum = renumbered
rep = repealed
s = section
sch = Schedule
sdiv = Subdivision
SL = Subordinate Legislation
sub = substituted

2 LIST OF LEGISLATION

Sources of The Law Act 1985 (Act No. 2, 1985)

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