

MINING ORDINANCE 1969

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No. 10 of 1969

An Ordinance to amend the *Mining Ordinance* 1939-1967 and for other purposes

[Assented to 18 March, 1969]

BE it ordained by the Legislative Council for the Northern Territory of Australia as follows:—

1.—(1.) This Ordinance may be cited as the *Mining Ordinance* 1969. Short title

(2.) The *Mining Ordinance* 1939-1967 is in this Ordinance referred to as the Principal Ordinance.

(3.) The Principal Ordinance, as amended by this Ordinance, may be cited as the *Mining Ordinance* 1939-1969.

2. Section 38A of the Principal Ordinance is amended— Administrator
may grant
prospecting
authority

(a) by omitting from sub-section (1.) the words “upon payment of the prescribed fee” and inserting in their stead the words “in his absolute discretion”;

(b) by inserting after sub-section (1.) the following sub-section:—

“(1A.) A prospecting authority shall not be granted except upon payment of the prescribed fee.”;

(c) by inserting in paragraph (ca) of sub-section (3.) after the word “may” the words “in the absolute discretion of the Administrator”; and

(d) by inserting after sub-section (3.) the following sub-section:—

“(3A.) Where an application for the renewal of a prospecting authority has been made before the day on which the prospecting authority expires and the prospecting authority expires before the Administrator grants, or refuses to grant, the renewal, the prospecting authority shall be deemed to continue in force in all respects until the Administrator grants, or refuses to grant, the renewal.”.

Validation of
purported
renewals

3. Where, before the commencement of this Ordinance—

(a) an application for the renewal of a prospecting authority was made before the day on which the prospecting authority expired; and

(b) after that prospecting authority expired, the Administrator purported to renew it,

the purported renewal shall be deemed to have been as effectual a renewal as it would have been if the prospecting authority had continued in force until the Administrator purported to renew it.
