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## No. 16 of 1942.

An Act to provide for the Mining of certain coal seams at or near Leigh Creek, and for the disposal and use of coal so mined and for other purposes.

[Assented to 5th November, 1942.]

BE IT ENACTED by the Governor of the State of South Australia, with the advice and consent of the Parliament thereof, as follows:

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the "Leigh Creek Coal Act, 1942".

Power of Minister of Mines.

- 2. The Minister may—
  - (a) mine (whether by open or closed working) any seams of coal vested in the Crown at or near Leigh Creek;
  - (b) use, sell, or otherwise dispose of any coal so mined;
  - (c) acquire any property, construct any works and buildings, do or execute any act, matter, or thing, and enter into any transaction which it is necessary or convenient to acquire, do, execute, construct or enter into for the purpose of exercising the powers conferred by paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section.

Restriction on sale, letting of coal and plant.

**3.** A sale or lease of any seam of coal vested in the Crown at or near Leigh Creek or a contract for any such sale or lease or a right to mine any such seam of coal shall not be made or granted by or on behalf of the Crown except pursuant to an Act specifically authorizing the transaction.

Administrative authorities. 4. The Governor may appoint any person or body of persons to act as an administrative or advisory authority under this Act and may confer upon any such authority such powers in relation to any mining carried on or intended to be carried on under this Act as the Governor thinks proper.

5. (1) There shall be established in the Treasury a fund Financial provision. called the Leigh Creek Coal Mining Fund.

(2) The fund shall consist of—

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- (a) a sum of two hundred thousand pounds which the Treasurer shall under authority of this section and without any further appropriation pay into the fund out of the General Revenue of the State;
- (b) all moneys received from the sale of coal or in connection with any other operation or transaction under this Act.

(3) The fund shall be applied from time to time in payment of any expenses incurred in carrying out the provisions of this Act.

6. The Governor may make any regulations necessary or Begulations. convenient for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Act and for encouraging, promoting or requiring the use of coal mined pursuant to this Act, and may by any regulation prescribe penalties not exceeding a fine of one hundred pounds for breach of any regulation.

7. The Minister shall, after the close of every financial year, Annual report. prepare a report on the operations and transactions under this Act during that financial year and shall cause the report to be laid before both Houses of Parliament.

In the name and on behalf of His Majesty, I hereby assent to this Bill.

C. M. BARCLAY-HARVEY, Governor.