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GEORGII V REGIS. A.D. 1926.

No. 1775.

An Act to amend section 65 of the Licensing Act, 1917, to affirm the validity of a certain licence, and to empower the Licensing Court to hear, inquire into, and determine, on the merits, a certain application.

[Assented to, December 16th, 1926.]

BE it Enacted by the Governor of the State of South Australia, with the advice and consent of the Dell with the advice and consent of the Parliament thereof, as follows :

1. This Act may be cited alone as the "Licensing (Validity of short titles. Licence) Act, 1926."

(2) The Licensing Acts, 1917 to 1923, and this Act may be cited together as the "Licensing Acts, 1917 to 1926."

(3) The Licensing Act, 1917, is hereinafter referred to as "the No. 1322 of 1917. principal Act."

2. This Act is incorporated with the other Acts mentioned in Incorporation with other Acts. section 1 of this Act, and those Acts and this Act shall be read as one Act.

3. This Act shall be deemed to have come into operation on the Commencement of first day of August, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.

Act.

4. Section 65 of the principal Act is amended by striking out the Amendment of principal Act, s. 65. words "his business" in the fifth line of subsection (1) thereof and inserting the words "the licence" in lieu thereof: Provided that the amendment made by this section shall be so construed as only to apply on and with respect to any such application as mentioned in the next succeeding section.

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5. Where the Licensing Court has, at any time prior to the commencement of this Act, granted or purported to grant a publican's licence in respect of premises situated at Pulteney Street, Adelaide, and formerly known and licensed as the Grand Central Hotel, and application has been or is at any time made for the renewal, transfer, or removal of such licence, no objection shall be taken or entertained by any Court that the Licensing Court had not jurisdiction to grant such licence, or that such licence is on any grounds invalid, but such application shall be heard, inquired into, and determined on the merits.

Application of this Act. 6. This Act shall apply to any application to renew, transfer, or remove the licence granted or purporting to have been granted as mentioned in the next preceding section, which application has been or is made to the Licensing Court after the commencement of this Act; and such application shall notwithstanding any decision or determination of the Court made in respect thereto before the date on which this Act receives the Royal Assent, be heard, inquired into, and determined on the merits and in accordance with this Act and the Acts with which this Act is incorporated, and shall for that purpose be deemed not to be disposed of until so heard, inquired into, and determined, and the Licensing Court is hereby empowered, on the application of the party interested, to hold a special meeting thereof for the purpose of so hearing, inquiring, and determining.

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

TOM BRIDGES, Governor.