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AN ACT to provide for Relief to certain Persons engaged in Rural Industries who have suffered Loss through Damage to Crops or other Property by Flood.  
 [14 December, 1944.]

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WHEREAS certain persons engaged in rural industries in the Mersey River Valley in this State have suffered losses through damage to crops and other property by flood or abnormal rain occurring during the month of July, 1944, and it is desirable to make provision to afford relief to those persons: PREAMBLE.

Be it therefore enacted by His Excellency the Governor of Tasmania, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, in Parliament assembled, as follows:—

1 This Act may be cited as the *Flood Sufferers' Relief Act* 1944. Short title.

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Interpreta-  
tion.**2** In this Act, unless the contrary intention appears—

“rural industry” means agriculture, horticulture, the pastoral industry, and any farming industry;  
 “the board” means the Board of Management of the Agricultural Bank, constituted under the *State Advances Act 1935\**.

Administra-  
tion.26 Geo. V.  
No. 41.Power of  
board to make  
advances.**3** This Act shall be administered by the board.**4**—(1) The board may make advances out of moneys at its disposal for the purposes of this Act to any person who satisfies the board that he—

(a) is engaged in any rural industry in the Mersey River Valley in this State; and

(b) has suffered loss through damage to crops or other property by abnormal rain or flood occurring during the month of July, 1944.

(2) Every advance under this Act shall be made upon such terms and conditions as the board, subject to this Act, shall in each case determine, and shall be repayable, by equal annual instalments, within such period as the board in each case may think fit.

(3) No interest shall be charged or payable in respect of any advance made under this Act.

Applications  
for advances.**5**—(1) The board may cause advertisements to be published at such times and in such manner as the board may think best, calling for applications from persons eligible therefor for assistance under the provisions of this Act.

(2) Every application for an advance under this Act shall be made to the board on or before the first day of January, 1945, and shall be in such form, and shall contain such particulars, as the board may approve.

(3) The board may require such evidence as it thinks necessary in support of any statements in the application, and may require the applicant to attend before it for examination in any case.

Security.

**6**—(1) The board may, before making any advance under this Act, require and take such security for the repayment thereof as the board in each case may think fit.(2) Any security taken by the board in pursuance of this section may be taken in the manner provided by the *State Advances Act 1935\**, and in such case the provisions of that Act shall apply to and in respect of the security as if it were a security taken under that Act.

(3) Every security taken by the board under this Act shall be exempt from stamp duty, and may be filed, registered, or recorded without payment of any fee.

\* 26 Geo. V. No. 41, as amended by 4 Geo. VI. No. 34, 4 & 5 Geo. VI. No. 68, 5 Geo. VI. No. 9, 7 Geo. VI. No. 6, 7 Geo. VI. No. 42, and by Statute Law Revision. (See Reprint of Statutes, Vol. VI., page 636.)

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**7** If any person to whom an advance has been made under this Act ceases to carry on the industry for the purposes of which the advance was made the board may, if it thinks fit, demand the repayment of the amount of such advance or any part thereof which has not been repaid to the board, and thereupon the amount of that advance or that part thereof, as the case may be, shall become due and payable to the board forthwith.

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Power of board to require repayment of advances in certain cases.

**8** The board at any time may require an applicant for an advance, or a person to whom any advance has been made and has not been repaid, to produce to the board such books, papers, documents, and accounts relating to the advance, or to any industry or undertaking in respect of which the advance is sought or was made, as in the opinion of the board, may be necessary.

Power of board to call for books, &c.

**9**—(1) All expenses incurred in the administration of this Act shall be defrayed out of moneys to be provided by Parliament for that purpose.

Costs of administration and application of moneys.

(2) All moneys received by the board in repayment of advances, or for interest thereon, shall be paid into the Consolidated Revenue.

**10**—(1) The Treasurer may borrow any sums of money, not exceeding five thousand pounds, and may advance any moneys so borrowed to the board.

Power of Treasurer to borrow moneys and advance moneys to the board.

(2) All moneys advanced to the board under subsection (1) shall be applied by the board for the purposes of this Act.

**11**—(1) No person shall, in any application for an advance under this Act or in any statement made in support of such application, make any statement which, to his knowledge, is false in any material particular.

Offences.

Penalty: One hundred pounds or six months' imprisonment.

(2) No person, being lawfully required by the board to produce to the board any book, paper, document, or account, shall fail or refuse so to do, without reasonable excuse.

Penalty: Ten pounds.

**12** The Governor may make regulations prescribing all matters which by this Act are required or permitted to be prescribed, or which are necessary or convenient to be prescribed, for carrying out or giving effect to this Act.

Regulations.

