# MINERS' PENSIONS.

# No. 3 of 1950.

### AN ACT to amend the Miners' Pensions Act [9 January, 1950.] 1944.

BE it 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:—

Short title and citation.

- **1**—(1) This Act may be cited as the *Miners' Pensions*  $Ac\overline{t}$  1950.
- (2) The Miners' Pensions Act 1944\*, as subsequently amended, is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.
- 2 After section nineteen of the Principal Act the following section is inserted:—

Power of Board to permit persons otherwise rensions

- "19A.—(1) Any person to whom this section applies may, with the express approval, in writing, of the Board, qualify for payment of a pension under this Act, upon and subject to participate to all or any of the following conditions, that is to say:-
  - I. That such person shall, on and from such date as the Board may fix in that behalf, pay to the Fund contributions at such rate (in excess of the rate prescribed under section nineteen) as the Board may determine and as may be notified to him in writing;
  - II. That the pension payable to such person upon his retirement or incapacity, or, as the case may be, to his dependants in the case of his death, shall be at such rates respectively (being less than the appropriate rates of pension prescribed in sections twenty, twenty-one, and twenty-two) as the Board may determine and as may be notified to him in writing; or
  - III. That such person shall comply with such other conditions (if any) as the Board may determine, or as may be prescribed for the purposes of this section.
  - (2) Where any approval in respect of any person to whom this section applies is given by the Board under subsection (1) of this section, the contributions payable to the Fund

<sup>\*7 &</sup>amp; 8 Geo. VI. No. 98, as amended by 8 Geo. VI. No. 7. 9 & 10 Geo. VI. No. 55. 10 Geo. VI. No. 48, and No. 30 of 1948.

in respect of that person by the owner by whom he is employed and by the Treasurer, respectively, shall not exceed the contributions which would have been payable by such owner and the Treasurer, respectively, if such person were a miner required to pay contributions to the Fund under section nineteen.

- (3) Subject to the foregoing provisions of this section, the provisions of this Act shall, so far as they are applicable, apply to and in respect of any person in respect of whom an approval under this section is given as if such person were a miner, as defined in section two.
- (4) In this section, the expression 'person to whom this section applies' means any person who was first employed in or about a coal or shale oil mine in this State after the commencement of this Act, and who, when he became so employed, was over the age of forty years.".
  - 3 Section twenty of the Principal Act is amended—

Qualifications for p nsion.

- (a) by omitting from subsection (1) the words "twelve shillings and sixpence" and substituting therefor the words "fifteen shillings";
- (b) by inserting after paragraph I. of subsection (1) the following paragraph:—
  - "IA. Paid the prescribed contributions to the Fund:".
- 4 Section twenty-one of the Principal Act is amended—Additional

- (a) by omitting from paragraphs I. and III. of sub-in certain section (1) the words "one pound seventeen cases. shillings and sixpence" and substituting therefor, in each case the words "the section is affected. for, in each case, the words "two pounds two shillings and sixpence"; and
- (b) by omitting paragraph II. of subsection (1) and substituting therefor the following paragraphs-
  - "II. Ten shillings in respect of one child or stepchild (whether such child or stepchild is legitimate or illegitimate) under the age of sixteen years who is wholly or mainly dependent on his earnings, until such child or stepchild attains the age of sixteen years:
  - II.A. Eight shillings and sixpence in respect of each other child or stepchild (whether such child or stepchild is legitimate or illegitimate) under the age of sixteen years who is wholly or mainly dependent upon his earnings, until such child or stepchild attains the age of sixteen years.".

Pensions to dependents.

- 5 Section twenty-two of the Principal Act is amended—
  - (a) by inserting in paragraphs I. and II. of subsection (2), after the words "two pounds", the words "five shillings";
  - (b) by omitting paragraph III. and substituting therefor the following paragraph:—
    - "III. Ten shillings per week to the person (if any) in respect of whom payments have been, or would if the deceased had survived, have been, made under paragraph II. of subsection (1) of section twenty-one, and eight shillings and sixpence per week to each of the persons (if any) in respect of whom payments have been, or would if the deceased had survived, have been, made under paragraphs II.A. and IV. of subsection (1) of that section, so long as such persons respectively are under the age of sixteen years."
- 6 Section twenty-four of the Principal Act is repealed and the following section is substituted therefor:—

Earnings from employment.

- "24.—(1) If any person who has qualified for payment of a pension under section twenty or section twenty-two engages in any paid employment, the total amount of the pension payable to that person shall be reduced by the amount by which the average weekly earnings of that person from that employment exceeds two pounds ten shillings per week.
- (2) For the purposes of this section, 'pension' includes a weekly sum under section twenty-one.".

### SEEDS.

#### No. 4 of 1950.

AN ACT to regulate and control the Production, Supply, and Sale of Seeds, to provide for the Testing of Seeds in certain cases, and to repeal the Seeds Act, 1930. [9 January, 1950]

BE it 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:—

Short title, repeal, and commencement. 1—(1) This Act may be cited as the Seeds Act 1950.