

## No. XVII.

An Act to enable the Governor to declare Leases and applications for Leases under the "Mining Act of 1874" and the regulations thereunder valid. [21st October, 1884.]

MINING LEASE  
VALIDATING.

WHEREAS by reason of the uncertainty of the boundary-line Preamble. dividing some Mining Districts from one another applications for Leases under the "Mining Act of 1874" may have been lodged in the wrong district and for other reasons may therefore be held to be invalid. And whereas it is expedient that power should be conferred upon the Governor under such circumstances to declare such applications and leases issued in pursuance of the same to be valid. Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled and by the authority of the same as follows:—

1. The Governor may by a Proclamation in the *Government Gazette* declare that any application for a lease authorized by the "Mining Act of 1874" and which may have been lodged in the wrong district either before or after the passing of this Act shall not by reason thereof alone or by reason of the mode of taking possession not being in accordance with the Act or regulations be deemed to be invalid and no application or lease granted or promised in satisfaction of any such application shall be invalid by reason of such application having been made in the wrong district or by reason of the mode of taking possession not being in accordance with the Act or regulations. Provided always that the provisions of this Act shall not affect the rights of any person acquired before the twenty-third day of September one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four.

Certain applications  
and leases validated  
by Proclamation.

2. This Act may be cited as the "Mining Lease Validating Short title. Act of 1884."