

No. VII.**MINING ACT
AMENDMENT.****An Act to alter and amend sections 14 and 63 of the Mining Act, 1874, and for other purposes in connection therewith. [31st July, 1896.]****Preamble.**

WHEREAS it is expedient to alter and amend the provisions of the Mining Act, 1874, as to the sums to be paid for miners' rights and mineral licenses respectively, and as to the periods for which the same may be issued: 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:—

Short title

Alteration in price and currency of miners' rights and mineral licenses.

Miners' rights to confer rights in respect of minerals other than gold.

Butt not to be deemed a part of miner's right, business license, and mineral license.

1. This Act may be cited as the "Mining Act Amendment Act of 1896."

2. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in the Mining Act, 1874, the sum to be paid for a miner's right or mineral license shall be five shillings for one year or two shillings and sixpence for six months; and such miner's right or mineral license shall be and continue in force for one year or for six months, as the case may be, from the date of issue.

3. In addition to the rights and privileges now conferred upon the holders of miners' rights issued under the provisions of the Mining Act of 1874, every such miner's right shall confer on the holder thereof the same rights and privileges in respect of or in connection with mining for minerals other than gold as are conferred on the holders of mineral licenses in respect of mining for such minerals.

4. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Mining Act, 1874, or any regulation thereunder, the butt shown in the form prescribed by any Schedules to the said Act or any regulation thereunder shall not be deemed to have been or to be part of a miner's right, business license, or mineral license issued before or after the commencement of this Act. And no miner's right, business license, or mineral license so issued as aforesaid shall be deemed to have been or to be invalid by reason of such miner's right, business license, or mineral license not including any butt as aforesaid.