

Act No. 12, 1910.

SATURDAY HALF
HOLIDAY.
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An Act to provide for a Saturday half-holiday every Saturday in shops, and to amend the law with regard to the early closing of shops ; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto. [27th August, 1910.]

BE it enacted by the King'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 and
commencement.

1. This Act may be cited as the "Saturday Half Holiday Act, 1910," and shall commence and come into force on a date to be fixed by proclamation in the Gazette.

Incorporation with
Early Closing Acts.

2. This Act shall be construed with the Early Closing Act, 1899 (hereinafter referred to as the Principal Act), the Early Closing (Amendment) Act, 1900, and the Early Closing (Hairdressers' Shops) Act, 1906.

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Saturday Half Holiday.

3. Notwithstanding anything contained in the said Acts, the closing time for all shops (other than those of the classes or kinds mentioned or specified in Schedule One to the Principal Act, or the Schedule to this Act), situated within the metropolitan shopping district and within the Newcastle shopping district, and all other shopping districts comprised in the county of Northumberland, shall in every week be one o'clock in the afternoon of Saturday and six o'clock in the afternoon of Wednesday, and ten o'clock in the evening of Friday.

Closing times of non-scheduled shops in metropolitan, Newcastle, and county of Northumberland shopping districts. Act No. 2177 (Vic.), s. 3.

All such shops shall close on those days not later than the hours above mentioned :

Provided that nothing in the above provision shall affect the operation of section eight of the Early Closing (Amendment) Act, 1900.

4. If any shop to which this Act refers is not closed and kept closed for the remainder of the day at and after the closing time fixed by this Act, or if in any such shop any goods are offered for sale after the said time, the shopkeeper of the shop and any person acting or apparently acting in the management of the shop shall be guilty of an offence against the Principal Act, and may be proceeded against in accordance with the provisions of that Act :

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Provided that no such shopkeeper or person shall be guilty of the said offence by reason that within one half-hour after the said closing time goods have been offered for sale or sold to a customer who at the said closing time was in the shop being served or waiting to be served.

5. The provisions of this Act may, by proclamation of the Governor published in the Gazette, be extended to the classes or kinds of shops to which this Act refers situated within any country shopping district :

Power to extend Act to country shopping districts.

Provided that such proclamation shall not be made except on resolutions passed by both Houses of Parliament.

SCHEDULE.

Hairdressers' shops.
Butchers' shops.