

MINING LEASES (VALIDATION) ACT.

Act No. 2, 1924.

An Act to validate certain leases granted under George V,
No. 2. Part IV of the Mining Act, 1906; and for purposes connected therewith. [Assented to, 30th August, 1924.]

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:—

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the "Mining Leases Short title. (Validation) Act, 1924," and shall be read with the Mining Act, 1906, as amended by subsequent Acts.

(2) The Mining Act, 1906, as so amended, is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

2. (1) (a) No lease granted before this Act under Validation of
certain
leases, &c. Division 3 or Division 4 of Part IV of the Principal Act which would have been valid if the mineral which the lessee is empowered by the lease to mine had been reserved to the Crown, shall be held to be invalid merely on the ground that the mineral was not so reserved.

(b) Any royalty received by the Crown, whether before or after this Act, under any such lease as aforesaid in respect of any mineral not reserved to the Crown shall be paid by the Crown to the owner of the mineral. The Colonial Treasurer is hereby authorised to make all payments necessary for carrying out the provisions of this paragraph.

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(2) No lease granted before this Act under Division 4A of Part IV of the Principal Act which would have been valid if the lands affected thereby had at the date of the lease been alienated, or were at that date in process of alienation with a reservation of gold, or gold and silver only, shall be held to be invalid merely on the ground that the grant of the land affected thereby contains or when issued will contain a reservation of any other mineral.

(3) This section shall not affect any cause of action in respect of which proceedings have been commenced before the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-four.