STAMP DUTIES (FURTHER AMENDMENT) ACT, 1980, No. 161

New South Wales



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Act No. 161, 1980.

An Act to amend the Stamp Duties Act, 1920, to provide for the abolition of death duty chargeable under that Act, and for certain other purposes. [Assented to, 15th December, 1980.]

BE it 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. This Act may be cited as the "Stamp Duties (Further Short Amendment) Act, 1980".
- 2. (1) Except as provided by subsection (2), this Act shall Commence-commence on the date of assent to this Act.
- (2) Section 4, in its application to Schedule 2, and that Schedule shall commence on 31st December, 1981.
 - 3. This Act contains the following Schedules:—

Schedules.

- SCHEDULE 1.—Amendments to the Stamp Duties Act, 1920, Relating to the Abolition of Death Duty.
- SCHEDULE 2.—Amendments to the Stamp Duties Act, 1920, Relating to the Abolition of Sixth Schedule Rates of Duty and to Exemptions from Duty.
- SCHEDULE 3.—Amendments to the Stamp Duties Act, 1920, Relating to Conveyances by way of Mortgage.
- 4. The Stamp Duties Act, 1920, is amended in the manner set forth in Schedules 1–3.

 Amendment of Act No. 47, 1920.

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SCHEDULE 1.

AMENDMENTS TO THE STAMP DUTIES ACT, 1920, RELATING TO THE ABOLITION OF DEATH DUTY.

(1) (a) Section 1—

From the matter relating to Division 2 of Part IV, omit "123A", insert instead "123".

(b) Section 1—

After the matter relating to Division 2 of Part IV, insert:—

DIVISION 3.—Abolition of death duty—ss. 123A, 123B.

(2) (a) Section 73 (1) (b)—

After "Act" where lastly occurring, insert "or in respect of which no death duty is, by virtue of such Act, chargeable".

(b) Section 73 (1) (d)—

After "paid" where secondly occurring, insert "or in respect of which no death duty is, by virtue of such Act, chargeable".

(3) Part IV, Division 3, heading—

After section 123, insert :-

Division 3.—Abolition of death duty.

(4) (a) Section 123A—

After "1979,", insert "and before 1st January, 1981,".

SCHEDULE 1—continued.

AMENDMENTS TO THE STAMP DUTIES ACT, 1920, RELATING TO THE ABOLITION OF DEATH DUTY—continued.

(b) Section 123A (2), (3)—

At the end of section 123A, insert :--

- (2) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Part of this Act, the amount of death duty payable under this Act in respect of the final balance of the estate of a person who dies on or after 1st January, 1981, and before 31st December, 1981, shall be onethird of the amount of death duty that would, but for this section, be payable under this Act.
- (3) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Part of this Act, no death duty shall be chargeable under this Act in respect of the dutiable estate of a person who dies on or after 31st December, 1981.

(5) Section 123B—

After section 123A, insert:—

123B. Divisions 1, 1A and 2 of this Part of this Act Application of Pt. IV shall not apply to or in respect of the estate of a person who dies on or after 31st December, 1981, or to or in respect of anything done or suffered or omitted to be done by any other person in respect of any such estate.

in respect of persons dying on 31.12.1981.

(6) (a) Second Schedule—

After "paid" where secondly occurring in paragraph (b) appearing under the heading "APPOINTMENT in execution of a power", insert "or in respect of which no death duty is, by virtue of such Act, chargeable".

SCHEDULE 1—continued.

AMENDMENTS TO THE STAMP DUTIES ACT, 1920, RELATING TO THE ABOLITION OF DEATH DUTY—continued.

(b) Second Schedule-

After "Act" where lastly occurring in paragraph (4) (b) appearing under the heading "Conveyances of any Property", insert "or in respect of which no death duty is, by virtue of such Act, chargeable".

(c) Second Schedule-

After "Act" where lastly occurring in paragraph (4) appearing under the heading "Mortgage", insert "or in respect of which no death duty is, by virtue of such Act, chargeable".

(d) Second Schedule-

After "Act" where lastly occurring in paragraph (4) appearing under the heading "Transfer of Shares", insert "or in respect of which no death duty is, by virtue of such Act, chargeable".

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SCHEDULE 2.

Amendments to the Stamp Duties Act, 1920, Relating to the Abolition of Sixth Schedule Rates of Duty and to Exemptions from Duty.

(1) Section 66 (3)-(3c)—

Omit the subsections, insert instead :-

- (3) A conveyance of property made without consideration in money or money's worth is to be charged with ad valorem duty on whichever is the greater of—
 - (a) the unencumbered value of the property ascertained in accordance with section 68; or

SCHEDULE 2—continued.

AMENDMENTS TO THE STAMP DUTIES ACT, 1920, RELATING TO THE ABOLITION OF SIXTH SCHEDULE RATES OF DUTY AND TO EXEMPTIONS FROM DUTY—continued.

- (b) the amount or value of all encumbrances (whether certain or contingent) subject to which the property is conveyed.
- (3A) A conveyance of property made upon a bona fide consideration in money or money's worth of less than the unencumbered value of the property is to be charged with ad valorem duty on whichever is the greater of—
 - (a) the unencumbered value of the property ascertained in accordance with section 68; or
 - (b) the amount obtained by aggregating together—
 - (i) the amount or value of the consideration ascertained in accordance with this Act; and
 - (ii) the amount or value of all encumbrances (whether certain or contingent) subject to which the property is conveyed,

but the Commissioner, where he is satisfied that the consideration paid was agreed to as representing the true market value of the property, may treat the conveyance as a conveyance on sale and stamp the conveyance accordingly with ad valorem duty on the unencumbered value of the property ascertained in accordance with section 68.

(3B) A conveyance of property made upon a bona fide consideration in money or money's worth of not less than the unencumbered value of the property, not being a conveyance on sale of the property, is to be charged with

SCHEDULE 2—continued.

AMENDMENTS TO THE STAMP DUTIES ACT, 1920, RELATING TO THE ABOLITION OF SIXTH SCHEDULE RATES OF DUTY AND TO EXEMPTIONS FROM DUTY—continued.

ad valorem stamp duty on the amount obtained by aggregating together—

- (a) the amount or value of the consideration ascertained in accordance with this Act; and
- (b) the amount or value of all encumbrances (whether certain or contingent) subject to which the property is conveyed.
- (3c) Nothing in subsection (3), (3A) or (3B) of this section affects the operation of section 73.

(2) (a) Second Schedule—

Omit paragraphs (2) and (3) appearing under the heading "Conveyances of any Property", insert instead:—

(2) Upon every conveyance of any property (other than shares or rights to shares referred to in paragraph (1) under the heading "Transfer of Shares" or a mortgage referred to in paragraph (1) under the heading "Mortgage" herein) made without consideration in money or money's worth—

On whichever is the greater

(a) the unencumbered value of the property; or

(b) the amount or value of all encumbrances (whether certain or contingent) subject to which the property is conveyed.

The parties to the conveyance or any one or more of them.

The same duty as on a conveyance under paragraph (1) above as if the greater of the amounts under paragraphs (a) and (b) opposite hereto were the amount of the consideration.

SCHEDULE 2—continued.

AMENDMENTS TO THE STAMP DUTIES ACT, 1920, RELATING TO THE ABOLITION OF SIXTH SCHEDULE RATES OF DUTY AND TO EXEMPTIONS FROM DUTY—continued.

- (3) Upon every conveyance of any property (other than shares or rights to shares referred to in paragraph (1) under the heading "Transfer of Shares" or a mortgage referred to in paragraph (1) under the heading "Mortgage" herein) made upon a bona fide consideration in money or money's worth of less than the unencumbered value of the property—
 - On whichever is the greater of—
 - (a) the unencumbered value of the property; or
 - (b) the amount obtained by aggregating together— (i) the amount
 - (i) the amount or value of the consideration ascertained in accordance with this Act; and
 - (ii) the amount or value of all encumbrances (whether certain or contingent) subject to which the property is conveyed.
- (3A) Upon every conveyance of any property (other than shares or rights to shares referred to in paragraph (1) under the heading "Transfer of Shares" or a mortgage referred to in paragraph (1) under the heading "Mortgage" herein) made upon a bona fide consideration in money or money's worth of not less than the unencumbered

The parties to the conveyance or any one or more of them.

The same duty as on a conveyance under paragraph (1) above as if the greater of the amounts under paragraphs (a) and (b) opposite hereto were the amount of the consideration.

The parties to the conveyance or any one or more of them,

SCHEDULE 2—continued.

AMENDMENTS TO THE STAMP DUTIES ACT, 1920, RELATING TO THE ABOLITION OF SIXTH SCHEDULE RATES OF DUTY AND TO EXEMPTIONS FROM DUTY—continued.

value of the property, not being a conveyance on sale of the property—

On the amount obtained by aggregating together—

gregating together—

(a) the amount or value of the consideration ascertained in accordance with this Act; and

(b) the amount or value of all encumbrances (whether certain or contingent) subject to which the property is conveyed.

The same duty as on a conveyance under paragraph (1) above as if the aggregate of the amounts under paragraphs (a) and (b) opposite hereto were the amount of the consideration.

(b) Second Schedule—

From paragraph (4) appearing under the heading "Lease or Promise of or Agreement for Lease or Hire of any Property not being a Ship or Vessel", omit:—

The same duty as would be chargeable under paragraph (2) under the heading "Conveyances of any Property" herein on a conveyance of property of an unencumbered value equal to the value of the lease in question.

insert instead :---

The same duty as would be chargeable on a conveyance under paragraph (1) under the heading "Conveyances of any Property" herein as if the unencumbered value of the lease in question were the amount of the consideration.

SCHEDULE 2—continued.

AMENDMENTS TO THE STAMP DUTIES ACT, 1920, RELATING TO THE ABOLITION OF SIXTH SCHEDULE RATES OF DUTY AND TO EXEMPTIONS FROM DUTY—continued.

(c) Second Schedule—

Omit paragraph (b) of the Exemptions appearing under the heading "LOAN SECURITY".

(d) Second Schedule—

Omit paragraphs (2) and (3) appearing under the heading "Mortgage", insert instead :-

(2) Upon every transfer or assignment of any mortgage made without consideration in money or money's worth
On the unencumbered value

The parties to the transfer or assignment or any one or more of them.

of the mortgage.

The same duty as would be chargeable under paragraph (1) above as if the unencumbered value of the mortgage were the amount the consideration.

The parties to the transfer or assignment or any one or more of them.

(3) Upon every transfer or assignment of any mortgage made upon a consideration in money or money's worth of less than the unencumbered value of mortgage-

On the unencumbered value of the mortgage.

The same duty as would be chargeable under paragraph (1) above as if the unencumbered value of the mortgage were the amount of the consideration.

(e) Second Schedule—

Omit subparagraph (b) appearing under the heading "DIRECTION AS TO ISSUE OR ALLOTMENT OF SHARES",

(b) In any case other than that mentioned in the preceding subparagraph (a) -

On the unencumbered value of the shares directed to be issued or allotted.

The same duty as is payable under paragraph (1) under the heading "Transfer of

SCHEDULE 2—continued.

AMENDMENTS TO THE STAMP DUTIES ACT, 1920, RELATING TO THE ABOLITION OF SIXTH SCHEDULE RATES OF DUTY AND TO EXEMPTIONS FROM DUTY—continued.

> Shares" herein as if the unencumbered value of the shares directed to be issued or allotted were the amount of the consideration.

(f) Second Schedule-

Omit paragraphs (2) and (3) appearing under the heading "Transfer of Shares", insert instead :-

(2) Upon the transfer of shares or of rights to shares made without consideration in money money's worth-

> of the shares or the rights to the shares comprised

The parties to the transfer or any one or more of them.

On the unencumbered value in the transfer.

The same duty as would be chargeable under paragraph (1) above as if the unencumbered value of the shares or the rights to the shares comprised in the transfer were the amount of the consideration.

(3) Upon the transfer of shares or of rights to shares made upon a consideration in money or money's worth of less than the unencumbered value of the shares or of the rights to shares comprised in the transfer-

On the unencumbered value of the shares or the rights to the shares comprised in the transfer.

The parties to the transfer or any one or more of them.

The same duty as would be chargeable under paragraph (1) above as if the unencumbered value of the shares or the rights to the shares comprised in the transfer were the amount of the consideration.

SCHEDULE 2-continued.

AMENDMENTS TO THE STAMP DUTIES ACT, 1920, RELATING TO THE ABOLITION OF SIXTH SCHEDULE RATES OF DUTY AND TO EXEMPTIONS FROM DUTY—continued.

(g) Second Schedule—

After paragraph (23) appearing under the heading "General Exemptions from Stamp Duty under Part III", insert:—

- (24) Any instrument by which property is conveyed or agreed to be conveyed to, or any loan security given by or on behalf of—
 - (a) any society or institution for the time being approved by the Commissioner for the purposes of this paragraph whose resources are, in accordance with its rules or objects, used wholly or predominantly for—
 - (i) the relief of poverty in New South Wales; or
 - (ii) the promotion of education in New South Wales; or
 - (b) any society or institution which, in the opinion of the Minister, is of a charitable or benevolent nature and where the instrument or loan security is for such purposes as the Treasurer or the Assistant Treasurer may approve.

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Omit the Schedule.

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SCHEDULE 3.

Amendments to the Stamp Duties Act, 1920, Relating to Conveyances by way of Mortgage.

(1) Section 66D—

After section 66c, insert:—

Transfer or conveyance of certain land by way of mortgage.

- 66D. (1) A transfer or conveyance by way of mortgage of land, or an estate or interest in land, under the Real Property Act, 1900, is to be charged with ad valorem duty on the unencumbered value of the land, or the estate or interest, as the case may require, ascertained in accordance with section 68.
- (2) The rate of ad valorem duty to be charged in respect of a transfer or conveyance referred to in subsection (1) of this section is the rate provided in the Second Schedule to this Act for a conveyance of land on a sale for a consideration in money or money's worth of not less than the unencumbered value of the land as if the unencumbered value of the land, or the estate or interest, as the case may require, ascertained in accordance with section 68 were the amount of the consideration.
- (3) The duty payable in accordance with subsections (1) and (2) of this section is payable by the parties to the transfer or conveyance or any one of them.
 - (4) Where the Commissioner is satisfied—
 - (a) that there has been a transfer or conveyance by way of mortgage of land, or an estate or interest in land, under the Real Property Act, 1900, from a mortgagor to a mortgagee;

SCHEDULE 3—continued.

AMENDMENTS TO THE STAMP DUTIES ACT, 1920, RELATING TO CONVEYANCES BY WAY OF MORTGAGE—continued.

- (b) that duty has been paid in accordance with subsections (1) and (2) of this section on the transfer or conveyance; and
- (c) that the land, or the estate or interest, as the case may require, has been retransferred or reconveyed to the mortgagor or to a person to whom the land, estate or interest has been transmitted by death or bankruptcy and the mortgagor or person, as the case may require, is the registered proprietor, within the meaning of the Real Property Act, 1900, of the land, estate or interest,

the Commissioner shall refund the ad valorem duty paid on the transfer or conveyance by way of mortgage less the amount of duty that would have been payable on that transfer or conveyance if it were a loan security.

(2) Section 83 (1), definition of "Mortgage"—

Omit "debentures.", insert instead :-

debentures,

but, notwithstanding the meaning of that expression in section 3 (1) of this Act, does not include a transfer or conveyance by way of mortgage of land, or an estate or interest in land, under the Real Property Act, 1900.

SCHEDULE 3—continued.

Amendments to the Stamp Duties Act, 1920, Relating to Conveyances by way of Mortgage—continued.

(3) Second Schedule—

In paragraph (15) appearing under the heading "GENERAL EXEMPTIONS FROM STAMP DUTY UNDER PART III", after "mortgage" where fourthly occurring, insert ", not being a transfer or conveyance by way of mortgage of land, or an estate or interest in land, under the Real Property Act, 1900,".

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