

## PEARLING.

23° GEO. V., No. XVII.

No. 17 of 1932.

AN ACT to amend the Pearling Act, 1912-1931.

[Assented to 6th December, 1932.]

**B**E it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of Western Australia, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the *Pearling Act Amendment Act*, 1932, and shall be read as one with the Pearling Act, 1912-1931 (No. 45 of 1912, as reprinted in the Appendix to the Sessional Volume of the Statutes for the year 1924, and as amended by No. 7 of 1928, No. 13 of 1929, and No. 14 of 1931), hereinafter referred to as the principal Act.

Short title.  
Sec No. 13 of 1929,  
s. 4.  
Sec No. 14 of  
1931, s. 3.

2. Section sixteen of the principal Act is amended by inserting a subsection after subsection (3), as follows:—

Amendment of s.  
16.

(4.) The Governor may at any time, and from time to time by notice published in the *Government Gazette*, prohibit the granting of any ship license which will increase the number of ship licenses granted and operating at the date of such publication. Such prohibition may relate to pearlshell areas generally, or to a particular pearlshell area, or to a defined portion of a particular pearlshell area, and may continue for such period as the Governor thinks fit.

Amendment of s.  
45.

3. Section forty-five of the principal Act is amended, as follows:—

(a) by inserting, after subsection one, a subsection, as follows:—

(1a.) It shall be lawful for the Governor by Order in Council published in the *Government Gazette* to limit the total quantity of pearlshell which may be gathered or collected during any specific period from any specified pearlshell area or areas by the holder of any ship license:

Provided that where any person holds more than one ship license operating in a pearlshell area to which such Order in Council relates, the total quantity of pearlshell which may be gathered or collected by such person from such pearlshell area shall be the quantity ascertained by multiplying the quantity specified in the Order in Council by the number of ship licenses held by such person as aforesaid.

(b) by deleting from subsection two the word “such” and adding at the end of the said subsection the words “issued either under subsection (1) or subsection (1a) of this section.”

Amendment of s.  
57.

4. Section fifty-seven of the principal Act is amended by inserting after the word “may” the words “subject to this Act.”

Citation of prin-  
cipal Act as  
amended.

5. The principal Act as amended by this Act may be cited as the Pearling Act, 1912-1932.