

STANDARD SURVEY MARKS.

15° GEO. V., No. VIII.

No. 8 of 1924.

AN ACT to enable the Surveyor General to erect Standard Survey Marks, to provide for their protection, and for other purposes incidental thereto.

[Assented to 25th November, 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 Western Australia, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the *Standard Survey Marks Act*, 1924. Short title.

2. In this Act—

Interpretation.

“Local Authority” means the Council of a Municipality or Road Board.

“Survey Mark” means any cairn, beacon, structure, post, peg, block, plug, tube, pipe, spike, pole, or other mark of whatsoever material composed, placed, sunk, or set up as a standard survey mark by the authority of the Surveyor General under the powers contained in this Act.

“Surveyor” means a surveyor licensed under the Licensed Surveyors Act, 1909.

“Surveyor General” means the permanent head of the Survey Branch of the Department of Lands and Surveys.

Standard survey.

3. The Surveyor General may cause a standard survey to be made in any locality for the purpose of establishing standard survey marks.

Plans representing all such surveys shall be retained in the Department of Lands and Surveys and certified copies supplied to the Registrar of Titles, the Under Secretary for Public Works, and the local authority.

Power to fix standard survey marks.

4. The Surveyor General, or any surveyor specially authorised by him,—

- (a) may enter and re-enter from time to time upon any land, or any public or private road, street or way, with such assistants as he thinks fit, for the purpose of making a standard survey;
- (b) may take materials from, or dig and bore into any land, road, street or way, so as to ascertain the nature of the soil, and may mark building, wall, or fence for the purpose of making a standard survey;
- (c) may fix or set up thereon or therein any standard survey mark which he considers advisable; and
- (d) may do all things necessary for carrying out such survey in accordance with any regulations in force for the time being, or for any inspection, renewal, repair, or alteration of any standard survey mark.

5. Whenever practicable, reasonable notice shall be given by the Surveyor General, or any surveyor authorised by him, to the local authority of the intention to place standard survey marks in the roads, streets, or ways of any district.

Notice of intention to fix standard survey marks.

6. (1.) When, under the powers contained in this Act, the Surveyor General has caused standard survey marks to be placed in any road, street, or way for the permanent marking of the survey thereof so that the position of the corner of any road, street, or way may be readily found for the alignment of such road, street, or way, or for the purpose of locating the position of any allotment, or for any other purpose, the local authority for the time being shall protect and preserve such standard survey marks as aforesaid, and shall not destroy, mutilate, deface, alter, or take away any such marks as aforesaid without the written authority of the Surveyor General.

Survey marks to be preserved.

(2.) Every person who, without the authority of the Surveyor General, destroys, mutilates, defaces, takes away, or alters the position of any standard survey marks, or who obstructs any surveyor in carrying out any standard survey, shall be liable on summary conviction to a penalty not exceeding Twenty pounds.

7. The Governor may make regulations for the purposes of this Act.

Regulations.

8. Sections two and four of the Act 8 Victoriae, No. 8, are hereby repealed.

Repeal.