## TRANSFER OF LAND.

14° Geo. VI., No. XVII.

No. 17 of 1950.

AN ACT to amend the Transfer of Land Act, 1893-1946, and, where necessary for the purpose of reprinting, to revise certain of the Acts amending the Transfer of Land Act, 1893 (Act 56 Victoriæ No. 14).

[Assented to 29th November, 1950.]

 $B^{\rm E}$  it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and the 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 Transfer of Land Short title. Act Amendment Act, 1950.

2. This Act shall come into operation on a day Commenceto be fixed by proclamation.

In this Act, unless the context requires other- Interpret tion. 3. wise-

"amending Acts" means Acts 60 Victoriæ No. 22, 1896, 1 and 2 Edwardi VII No. 14, 1902, 2 Edwardi VII No. 10, 1902, and Acts Nos.

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20 of 1905, 25 and 54 of 1909, 26 of 1911, 32 of 1917, 30 of 1920, 5 of 1925, 14 and 42 of 1929, 38 of 1936, 23 of 1939, 28 of 1944 and 6 and 21 of 1946;

"principal Act" means the Transfer of Land Act, 1893-1946, being Act 56 Victoriæ No. 14 as reprinted in The Statutes of Western Australia Volume III, 1893-1895, By Authority, 1896, and amended by the amending Acts.

4. The principal Act as amended by this Act may be cited as the Transfer of Land Act, 1893-1950.

<sup>s.1 amended.</sup> 5. Section one of the principal Act is amended by adding between lines thirteen and fourteen the following heading:—

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<sup>6.4 amended.</sup> 6. Section four of the principal Act is amended by substituting for the words—

- (a) "shall mean" wherever they occur, the word "means";
- (b) "shall include" wherever they occur, the word "includes";
- (c) "shall also include" wherever they occur, the words "also includes".
- s. 6 amended. 7. Section six of the principal Act is amended by—
  - (a) deleting the words "In case of illness or absence" in line one;
  - (b) substituting the word "the" for the word "such" in line two;
  - (c) adding after the word "absence" in line three, the words "of the officer".

s. 16 amended. 8. Section sixteen of the principal Act is amended by deleting all the words in lines three, four and five.

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Citation of principal Act as amended by this Act. 1950.

9. Section twenty of the principal Act is amended <sup>5.20</sup> amended. by adding the following paragraph-

(vii) A tenant for life within the meaning of the Settled Land Act, 1892, if the application contains a direction that the certificate of title issue in the names of the trustees of the settlement within the meaning of that Act, and the trustees consent to the application.

10. The principal Act is amended by adding the  $^{s. 20A \text{ added.}}$ following section-

20A. In applications to bring land under the Evidence and restrictions Act the Commissioner may accept as evidence— of requisi-

recitals, statements and descriptions of facts, matters and parties in deeds, instruments, Acts of Parliament and statutory declarations, the date shown as that of the execution, signature, passing or making of which precedes that of the application by at least twenty years

and an applicant shall not be required to negative,

except as to the knowledge, information and belief of himself and his agents,

the existence of any unregistered conveyances or assurances affecting any part of the land the subject of the application.

Section twenty-five of the principal Act is s.25 amended. 11. amended by deleting all words between the word "or" in line three and the word "in" firstly appearing in line seven.

Section forty of the principal Act is amended <sup>s.40</sup> 12. by—

- (a) deleting all words between the word, "provided" in line three and the word, "there" in line five:
- (b) substituting for the words, "specified in the Last Schedule hereto", in lines six and seven, the word, "prescribed".

s. 50 amended 13. Section fifty of the principal Act is amended by deleting the second sentence commencing with the word "And" and concluding with the word "stated".

<sup>5.53</sup> amended. 14. Section fifty-three of the principal Act is amended by—

- (a) adding after the word, "instrument" in line one the words, "other than a transfer";
- (b) deleting the words in brackets in lines two and three, commencing with the word "excepting" and concluding with the word "required".

s. 66A added.

15. The principal Act is amended by adding the following section—

No separate certificate for easement. 66A. A separate certificate of title for an easement shall not be issued.

s. 68 amended. 16. Section sixty-eight of the principal Act is amended by—

- (a) substituting for the words, "and also where the possession is not adverse to the interest of any tenant of the land" in lines twentyone, twenty-two and twenty-three the words, "and to any prior unregistered lease or agreement for lease or for letting for a term not exceeding five years to a tenant in actual possession";
- (b) adding after the word, "instrument" in line twenty-four the words, "but no option of purchase or renewal in any such lease or agreement shall be valid as against a subsequent registered interest unless such lease or agreement is registered or protected by caveat".

ss. 71A and 71B added.

Proprietor may apply for separate certificate. 17. The principal Act is amended by adding the following sections—

71A. (1) The Registrar, upon application being made in writing by a proprietor of land the subject of a certificate of title, may issue to the proprietor a separate certificate of title for part of the land, and shall endorse upon the certificate of title, from the subject of which part is taken, a memorandum partially cancelling the certificate.

(2) The Registrar shall retain the duplicate of the partially cancelled certificate of title and, when required by the proprietor, shall make out to the proprietor a certificate of title for the land remaining the subject of the partially cancelled certificate of title.

71B. (1) The Registrar may, upon the power to issue new delivery to him of a duplicate Crown Grant or certificate certificate of title, issue a new certificate of title in the place of the existing Crown Grant or certificate of title, which shall thereupon be cancelled.

(2) Where the Registrar is of opinion that, Registrar to regulare new because of the condition of dilapidation of a certificate to duplicate certificate of title or Crown Grant in certain lodged with him for any purpose, it should be stances. replaced by a new certificate of title, he may-

- (a) require the proprietor of the land the subject of the certificate of title or Crown Grant to apply for a new certificate of title:
- (b) retain the Crown Grant or certificate of title so dilapidated until the proprietor applies for a new certificate of title.

18. The principal Act is amended by adding the <sup>s. 74A added.</sup> following section—

74A. (1) Where any original grant or certifi-cate is lost, destroyed or so dilapidated or dilap obliterated as to become illegible, the Commis- substituted by copy. sioner may cause another certificate to be prepared and to be endorsed with all such entries as were made upon the original, so far as the same can be ascertained from the records of

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the Office of Titles and inspection of the duplicate, and shall make and sign a memorandum upon the certificate so prepared, stating that it is a substituted certificate to be used in place of the original, and showing what has become of the original so far as is known or supposed, and on and after the date when the copy is so signed, it may be bound up in the register book and used in place of the original for the purpose of dealings and transmissions.

(2) The Commissioner may prepare the substituted certificate from the duplicate, or such other evidence as is available as to the contents of the original.

- **19.** Section eighty of the principal Act is repealed.
- 20. Section eighty-two of the principal Act is amended by---
  - (a) adding after the section number, "82", the figure one in brackets thus—(1);
  - (b) adding the following subsection-

(2) Where the consideration for a transfer is not a sum of money, the words "the sum of" in the forms of transfer contained in the Seventh Schedule shall not be used to describe the consideration but the true consideration shall be concisely stated.

21. Section eighty-seven of the principal Act is amended by—

- (a) adding after the word "may," in line two, the words "if he thinks fit,";
- (b) deleting all words after the word "land" in line twelve to the end of the section.

22. The principal Act is amended by adding the following section—

88A. A memorial of any transfer or lease creating an easement over or upon or affecting land under the operation of this Act shall be

5. 88A added.

s. 87 amended.

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entered upon the folium of the register book constituted by the Grant or existing certificate of title of the land, in addition to any other entry which concerns the instrument and which is required by this Act.

Section ninety-one of the principal Act is amended 23. amended by adding after the word, "registered" in line seven the words, "but the foregoing provisions of this section shall not prejudice the binding effect of a consent given by a mortgagee or annuitant to an unregistered lease or extension of lease for any term".

24. Section one hundred and two of the principal <sup>s.102</sup> amended. Act is amended by adding after the word "sublease" secondly occurring in line seven, the words "and on the lease".

25. Section one hundred and eight of the princi- s. 108 amended. pal Act is amended by substituting for all words after the word "fit" in line eight to the end of the section, the following words, "with power to vary any contract for sale and to buy in at any auction or to rescind any contract for sale, and to resell without being answerable for any loss occasioned thereby, with power to make such roads, streets and passages, and to grant and reserve such easements as the circumstances of the case require and the mortgagee or annuitant thinks fit; and may make and sign such transfers and do such acts and things as shall be necessary for effectuating any such sale; and no purchaser shall be bound to see or inquire whether such default as aforesaid shall have been made or have happened or have continued, or whether such notice as aforesaid shall have been served or otherwise into the propriety or regularity of such sale."

26. Section one hundred and nine of the prin- s. 109 amended. cipal Act is amended by substituting the word "Commonwealth" for the words "Post Office" in line twenty-two.

27. Section one hundred and ten of the principal s. 110 amended. Act is amended by adding after the word "lease" in line ten, the words "or grant of easement".

ss. 111 and 112 amended.

28. Sections one hundred and eleven and one hundred and twelve of the principal Act are amended by adding after the section numbers, "111" and "112" respectively the words, "Subject to the provisions of section one hundred and twelve A of this Act".

**s.** 112A added. 29. The principal Act is amended by adding the following section—

Abolition of power of distress. Cf. No. 38 of 1936, s. 4.

112A. On the eleventh day of December, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-six, and thereafter during the operation of the Distress for Rent Abolition Act, 1936, which came into operation on that day, the power to distrain conferred by the last two preceding sections is abolished.

s. 121 amended.

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s. 126

amended.

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30. Section one hundred and twenty-one of the principal Act is amended by substituting for the words, "of sale" in line nine the words, "to pay".

31. Section one hundred and twenty-five of the principal Act is amended by substituting for the words, "as is mentioned in the last preceding section", in lines ten and eleven, the words "certificate of title when produced to him for that purpose".

32. Section one hundred and twenty-six of the principal Act is amended by—

- (a) adding after section number, "126", the figure one in brackets, thus—(1);
- (b) deleting the word, "Colonial" in line four;
- (c) adding after the word "Government" in line seventeen, the words "or Commonwealth".

s. 128A added.

Puisne mortgagee may tender payment. Cf. Real Property Act, 1886 (S.A.), s. 131. 33. The principal Act is amended by adding the following section—

128A. Where a mortgagee requires payment of money which is secured by a mortgage and payment of which is due, any other mortgagee of the same land may tender and pay to the mortgagee requiring payment the money so

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payable, and the mortgagee making the payment shall be entitled, at his own cost, to a transfer of the estate and interest of the mortgagee requiring the payment.

34. The principal Act is amended by adding after  $\frac{\text{Division}}{\text{IIIA, SS.}}$  section one hundred and twenty-nine the following  $\frac{1290}{1290}$ heading and sections-

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### Division IIIA.-Restrictive Covenants.

129A. (1) Restrictive covenants may be Greation of discharge of created and made binding in respect of land restrictive under this Act so far as the law permits by in-struments in the prescribed form, but no such Act, 1925 (Eng.), s. 40. covenant affecting land subject to a mortgage or charge shall be registered unless the mortgagee or annuitant has consented in writing thereto prior to the same being registered.

(2) Upon the registration of any instrument creating a restrictive covenant it shall not be obligatory on the Registrar to make any entry relating thereto on the certificate of title of any person entitled to the benefit thereof.

129B. (1) Notwithstanding anything con-Discharge of restrictive tained in this Act to the contrary any covenant or agreement affecting or restricting the use of land may be discharged or modified by agreement by all persons interested in the land affected by such covenant or agreement consenting to such discharge or modification.

(2) The Commissioner shall, when satisfied that all parties interested as aforesaid have agreed to the discharge or modification of any covenant entered in the register book direct the Registrar to enter a memorandum of such discharge or modification in the register book.

129C. (1) Where land under this Act is subject to any restriction arising under covenant or otherwise as to the user thereof or the right of building thereon, the court or a Judge may from time to time on the application of any person

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interested in the land by order wholly or partially discharge or modify the restriction upon being satisfied—

- (a) that by reason of changes in the character of the property or the neighbourhood or other circumstances of the case which the court or a Judge may deem material the restriction ought to be deemed to have been abandoned or to be obsolete or that the continued existence thereof would impede the reasonable user of the land without securing practical benefits to other persons or (as the case may be) would unless modified so impede such user; or
- (b) that the persons of full age and capacity for the time being or from time to time entitled to the benefit of the restriction whether in respect of estates in fee simple or any lesser estates or interests in the land to which the benefit of the restriction is annexed have agreed to the same being discharged or modified or by their acts or omissions may reasonably be considered to have waived the benefit of the restriction wholly or in part; or
- (c) that the proposed discharge or modification will not substantially injure the persons entitled to the benefit of the restriction.

(2) When any proceedings by suit or otherwise are instituted to enforce a restrictive covenant affecting land under this Act any person against whom the proceedings are instituted may in such proceedings apply to the court or a Judge for an order under this section.

(3) The court or a Judge may on the application of any person interested make an order declaring—

(a) whether or not in any particular case any land under this Act is affected by a restriction imposed by any instrument; or

- (b) what upon the true construction of any instrument purporting to impose a restriction is the nature and extent of the restriction and whether the same is enforceable and if so by whom; or
- (c) whether or not any restrictive covenant ought to be removed as an encumbrance from the register.

(4) Notice of any application under this section shall, if the court or a Judge so directs, be given to the council of the municipality or the board of the road district in which the land is situated and to such other persons and in such manner whether by advertisement or otherwise as the court or a Judge either generally or in a particular instance may order.

(5) An order under this section shall when registered as hereinafter provided be binding on all persons whether of full age or capacity or not then interested or thereafter becoming interested in enforcing any restriction which is thereby discharged modified or dealt with and whether such persons are parties to the proceedings or have been served with notice or not.

(6) This section applies to restrictions whether subsisting at the commencement of this section or imposed thereafter.

(7) The Registrar shall on the prescribed application make all necessary amendments and entries in the register book for giving effect to such order in respect of all certificates of title specified therein.

(8) The costs of and incidental to an application made pursuant to the provisions of this section to the court or a Judge shall not be awarded against the defendant or respondent in any event.

35. Section one hundred and thirty-one of the  $\frac{s.131}{amended}$  principal Act is amended by substituting the words "statement of claim" for the word "declaration" in line three.

s. 132 Section one hundred and thirty-two of the 36.repealed. principal Act is repealed.

s. 134 amended.

37. Section one hundred and thirty-four of the principal Act is amended by-

- (a) adding after the word, "transfer" in line two the words, "or other instrument";
- (b) by adding after the word, "from" in line two the words, "a person who is or becomes":
- (c) adding after the word, "was" in line six the words, "or becomes";
- (d) adding after the word, "registered" in line six the words, "or required or in any manner concerned to enquire or ascertain the circumstances under or the consideration for which any mortgage or other encumbrance was or is discharged or removed from the register book at any time prior to or simultaneously with the registration of such transfer or other instrument".
- Section one hundred and thirty-seven of the 38. amended principal Act is amended by substituting the word "State" for the word "colony" in line twenty-seven.

Section one hundred and thirty-eight of the 39. – principal Act is amended by-

- (a) adding after the word, "lapsed" in line fifteen the words, "as to the land affected by the transfer or other dealing";
- (b) adding after the word, "dealing" in line seventeen the words, "unless in the meantime such application is withdrawn":
- (c) adding after the word, "interest" in line eighteen the words, "except subject to the state of the register book at the time of the renewal of such caveat".

a. 138 amended.

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40. Section one hundred and thirty-nine of the <sup>5, 139</sup> amended. principal Act is amended by-

- (a) adding after the section number, "139", the figure one in brackets, thus:—(1), and the words, "Subject to the provisions of the next succeeding subsection";
- (b) deleting the last sentence commencing with the words, "The consent" and ending with the word "caveat";
- (c) adding the following subsection:----

(2) Where an instrument is presented for registration and a caveat is lodged after the time of the presentation of the instrument, the caveat shall not have the effect of preventing registration of the instrument but the caveat shall take effect as if lodged after registration of the instrument.

41. The principal Act is amended by adding the <sup>5.141A added.</sup> following section:---

141A. (1) Where it appears to the Commissioner that the estate or interest claimed by any protected caveator has ceased to exist, he may, either of the exist. his own motion or on the application of any person claiming any interest in the land, send by registered post notice to the caveator at the address set out in such caveat requiring him. within fourteen days from the date of such notice to withdraw such caveat or within such time to commence proceedings in Court to substantiate his claim, and in the event of the caveator failing to comply with the requirements of such notice within the time therein limited the Commissioner may direct the Registrar to remove such caveat from the register book and forward notice of such removal to the caveator.

(2) In any proceedings by a caveator to substantiate his claim under this section, he shall, unless otherwise ordered by the Court or a Judge, join as parties the Registrar of Titles. the registered proprietor and any other person or persons affected by the existence of such caveat.

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s. 143 amended. 42. Section one hundred and forty-three of the principal Act is amended by—

- (a) adding after the section number, "143," the figure one in brackets, thus:—(1), and the words, "Subject to the provisions of this section";
- (b) substituting for the words, "or a duplicate or attested copy thereof shall" in lines five and six, the word, "may";
- (c) adding after the word, "filed" in line six the words, "by lodging the original instrument of power of attorney, a duplicate, an office copy referred to in the Powers of Attorney Act, 1896, or a copy certified by the Registrar of Companies under his hand and seal to be a true copy of a power of attorney recorded pursuant to the provisions of the Companies Act, 1943-1949";
- (d) adding the following subsections—

(2) Where a power of attorney is filed within a period of three months from the day shown as that on which it was executed, the Registrar may presume that it is in force at the time of filing, unless a revocation has been previously registered.

(3) The provisions of the last preceding subsection shall not be construed so as to affect the force of a power of attorney filed at any time after the lapse of the period of three months referred to in the last preceding subsection.

(4) Nothing contained in this section or in the Powers of Attorney Act, 1896, shall preclude the Registrar from requiring evidence to his satisfaction that a power of attorney is not revoked.

s. 144 amended. 43. Section one hundred and forty-four of the principal Act is amended by deleting the words, "or the same or a duplicate or attested copy shall have been filed and noted" in lines five and six.

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44. Section one hundred and forty-five of the <sup>5.145</sup> amended. principal Act is amended by adding after the word "witness" in line three, the words "other than a party to the instrument or power of attorney."

Section one hundred and fifty-six of the amended. 45. principal Act is amended by—

- (a) substituting for the word, "seventy-two" in line four, the word, "sixty-six";
- (b) substituting for the words, "surveyor licensed under this Act" in line ten, the words, "licensed surveyor lawfully entitled to practise under this Act".

Section one hundred and eighty-one of the amended. 46. principal Act is amended by adding after the word, "title" in line three, the words, "and regulations prescribing the medium, in which documents presented for registration or lodgment shall be written and executed and the kind and size of paper or other medium on which they shall be written and prescribing the fees which may be charged by the Registrar and prescribing contributions to the Assurance Fund payable on the registration of any instrument".

8, 182 Section one hundred and eighty-two of the amended 47. principal Act is amended by-

- (a) adding after the section number, "182", the figure one in brackets, thus—(1);
- (b) adding the following subsection-

(2) The provisions of this section apply to any estate or interest in land which stands registered in the name of any deceased person who was at the time of his death a trustee thereof.

48. Section one hundred and eighty-four of the amended principal Act is amended by-

(a) substituting for the words, "the rights of an official assignee or trustee in bankruptcy or of an execution creditor" in lines two and three, the words, "any right or interest";

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(b) substituting for the word, "affect" in line five, the word, "affects".

s, 185 amended.

49. Section one hundred and eighty-five of the principal Act is amended by—

- (a) adding after the word, "of" in line two, the words, "fieri facias or warrant of";
- (b) adding after the word "writ" occurring firstly in line six, and secondly in line seven, the words "or warrant".

Repeal and re-enactment of s. 187.

50. Section one hundred and eighty-seven of the principal Act is repealed and substituted by the following section:—

187. (1) Upon the receipt of an office copy of the probate of any will, or of any letters of administration, or of an order to administer granted to the Public Trustee, or an election to administer filed by the Public Trustee whereby it shall appear that any person has been appointed the executor or administrator of the estate of any deceased person, or that the Public Trustee has been empowered to administer, or has elected to administer any such estate, the Registrar shall, on an application in writing of the executor, administrator, or Public Trustee (as the case may be) to be registered as proprietor in respect of any land, or of any estate, right, title, or interest therein, enter in the Register Book, and on the duplicate instrument (if any) when produced for any purpose, a memorandum notifying the appointment of such legal personal representative and the day of the death of the proprietor, when the same can be ascertained, and upon such entry being made, such legal personal representative shall become the transferee and be deemed to be the proprietor of the estate or interest of the deceased proprietor in such land, estate, right, title, or interest, or of such part thereof as then remains unadministered, and shall hold the same subject to the equities upon which the

Entry to be made in register book of appointment of executor, or administrator or Public Trustee. deceased held the same; but for the purposes of any dealings therewith, such legal personal representative shall be deemed to be the absolute proprietor thereof.

(2) The title of every legal personal representative becoming a transferee under this section shall, upon such entry being made, relate back to and be deemed to have arisen upon the death of the proprietor of any land, or of any estate, right, title, or interest therein, as if there had been no interval of time between such death and entry.

(3) If in any case probate or administration is granted to more persons than one, all of them for the time being shall join and concur in every dealing relating to the land, or to the estate, right, title, or interest therein.

51. Section one hundred and ninety of the prin- <sup>5.190</sup> amended. cipal Act is amended by deleting the word "Colonial" in line three.

52. Section one hundred and ninety-one of the s. 191 repealed and principal Act is repealed and substituted by the re-enacted following:—

191. The Registrar may demand the fees prescribed.

53. Section one hundred and ninety-four of the s. 194 principal Act is amended by—

(a) deleting the word "Colonial" in line three;

(b) adding after the word "Government" in line seven the words "or Commonwealth".

54. Section one hundred and ninety-five of the s. 195 principal Act is amended by deleting the word "Colonial" occurring firstly in line eight, and secondly in line sixteen. No. 17.] Transfer of Land. [1950.

в. 199 amended.

55. Section one hundred and ninety-nine of the principal Act is amended by adding after the section number, "199", the words, "Subject to the provisions of section sixty-eight of this Act".

5. 203 Section two hundred and three of the prin-56. amended. cipal Act is amended by adding after the word "Court" appearing firstly in line fourteen, secondly, in line twenty, thirdly in line twenty-one and fourthly in line twenty-six the words "or a Judge".

s. 204 57. Section two hundred and four of the prinamended. cipal Act is amended by-

- (a) adding after the word "Court" in line two, the words "or Judge";
- (b) substituting for the word "it" in line four, the words "the Court or Judge".

s. 209 58. Section two hundred and nine of the prinamended. cipal Act is amended by adding after the word, "if" in line five, the word. "in".

Section two hundred and eleven of the prin-59. cipal Act is amended by—

- (a) deleting the word "coverture" in line nine:
- (b) adding after the word "infancy" in line nine, the word "or";
- (c) deleting the words "or absence from Western Australia" in lines nine and ten.

8.214 amended

Section two hundred and fourteen of the 60. principal Act is amended by adding after the word "registered" in line twenty-two, the words "that person commits an offence against this Act; and".

s. 211 amended.

61. The principal Act is amended by adding the  $\frac{5.214A}{243}$ . following section: added.

214A. A person who wilfully neglects to Failure to ertificate lodge dupli-cate certifi-cate of title or Crown lodge with the Registrar a duplicate certificate when of title or Crown lease to do so, pursuant to the provisions of this Act, Cf. ss. 75 commits an offence against this Act (2); 229B (2); commits an offence against this Act.

The principal Act is amended by adding the <sup>s. 214B added</sup> 62. following section:—

214B. A person who commits an offence Penalty. against this Act is liable to a maximum pecuniary penalty of one hundred pounds  $(\hat{\mathbf{f}}100)$ or a maximum term of imprisonment for twelve months, or both.

Sections two hundred and fifteen, two SS. 215, 216, 217 and 218 63. hundred and sixteen, two hundred and seventeen repealed. and two hundred and eighteen of the principal Act are repealed.

64. The principal Act is amended by adding the S. 223A addee following section:-

223A. A person claiming an estate interest in the land in respect of which any such application application is made, may before the granting thereof, lodge a caveat with the Registrar forbidding the granting of such application. Such caveat shall in all other respects be in the same form and shall have the same effect with respect to the application against which it is lodged, and be subject to the same conditions as an ordinary caveat against bringing land under the operation of this Act.

65. The principal Act is amended by adding the SS. 229A and 229B added following sections:---

(1) A proprietor of land may apply Removal or easement 229A. to the Commissioner for the removal from the notified as certificate of title of any easement notified brance. thereon.

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(2) If the Commissioner is satisfied that the easement—

(a) has not been used or enjoyed for a period of not less than twenty years; and

(b) has been abandoned;

he may make an order directing the removal of the entry or statement of the easement, and thereupon the easement shall be deemed to have been abandoned and extinguished.

(3) An order shall not be made until the expiration of twenty-one days after notice of the application has been given by the Registrar to every person appearing by the Register Book to have any estate or interest in the land to which the easement is appurtenant, and also to any other person named by the Commissioner.

(4) The notice shall be in writing and dated and shall include or contain a plan showing the extent to which such easement is affected.

(5) The notice may be served by being sent in a registered letter to each person, to be served at his address appearing in the Register Book, or in the case of any person named by the Commissioner at the address supplied by the applicant for that purpose.

(6) The Registrar shall cause a copy of each notice to be filed with a memorandum of the same having been sent, and the memorandum shall be sufficient evidence that the notice was duly sent.

229B. (1) If an order is made under the last preceding section of this Act and affects the right, estate, or interest of the registered proprietor of land included in any certificate of title in respect of any registered easement appearing thereon, the Registrar shall cancel the entry of such easement to the extent to which it has been determined or extinguished upon the original of such certificate, and

Cancellation of easement entered on certificate affected. also upon the duplicate certificate when brought to him for that purpose, or when the same is lodged in the Office of Titles for the purpose of any dealing with the land comprised therein.

(2) The Registrar may call in such duplicate certificate for the purpose of such cancellation and may detain the duplicate until such cancellation is effected and refuse to register any dealing with the land or any estate or interest therein until the duplicate has been brought in or lodged.

(3) For the purposes of this section the right, estate, or interest of a registered proprietor of land shall be deemed to be affected by an order relating to an easement, whether the land was as regards such easement in the position of a dominant or servient tenement.

66. Section two hundred and thirty of the prin- <sup>s.230</sup> repealed and cipal Act is repealed and substituted by the follow- re-enacted. ing section:-

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230. Upon an application to bring land Abandon-under this Act, if it shall be proved to the satis- easement may be faction of the Commissioner that any easement after formerly affecting such land-

(a) has not been used or enjoyed for a possession. period of not less than twenty years; and

(b) has been abandoned;

the Commissioner may, notwithstanding section sixty-nine of this Act, at his discretion issue a certificate of title for such land without notifying such easement as an encumbrance. and thereafter the same shall not be preserved by section sixty-eight of this Act.

Section two hundred and thirty-nine of the s. 239 amended. 67. principal Act is amended by adding after the word, "caveat" in line eight the words, "power of attornev".

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s. 240 repealed and reenacted.

Service of notices.

68. Section two hundred and forty of the principal Act is repealed and substituted by the following section:—

240. (1) Any notice by this Act required to be served or given to any person may be served or given by being sent in a registered letter posted to that person at his address for service.

(2) The address of any person as entered in the Register Book shall until amended or altered be his address for service.

(3) The address or place within the city of Perth appointed in a caveat as the place at which notices relating to the caveat may be served shall be the address for service of the caveator within this section.

(4) The Registrar shall cause a copy of each notice so sent to be filed with a memorandum of the same having been sent and the memorandum shall be sufficient proof that the notice was duly sent.

(5) The Registrar shall on request in writing made by any person whose address is entered in the Register Book and on production of the duplicate certificate of title or Crown grant or instrument and on payment of the prescribed fee amend or alter the address.

(6) The Registrar shall on request in writing by a caveator and on payment of the prescribed fee amend or alter the address appointed in the caveat at which notices may be served and the additional address (if any) given by the caveator.

(7) When a notice is sent in a registered letter posted to any person at his address for service and the letter is returned by the post office the Registrar may if in the circumstances and having regard to the provisions of this Act he thinks fit—

- (a) direct any further notice to be given; or
- (b) direct substituted service; or

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(c) proceed without notice.

(8) This section applies notwithstanding any other provisions in this Act relating to service of notices

69. Section two hundred and forty-one of the section principal Act is repealed.

70. The principal Act is amended by adding the following section:-

242. (1) (a) Where by the operation of any statute or statutory or other power or by virtue register. of any vesting order of any court or Judge or an order appointing a person to convey or of a vesting declaration appointment or other assurance an interest in land under this Act being an interest capable of being registered is disposed of or created the registered proprietor shall subject to proper provision being made for payment of costs, be bound to give effect to the disposition.

(b) If the registered proprietor is unable or refuses to make the requisite transfer or other disposition under this Act or cannot be found or if for any other reason a transfer or other disposition by him under this Act cannot be obtained within a reasonable time then the Registrar upon the direction of the Commissioner may give effect thereto in the Register Book by making an entry therein containing such particulars relating to such disposition as he may consider necessary.

(c) The disposition shall take effect in like manner as nearly as may be as if it had been made by the registered proprietor by transfer or other registered disposition:

Provided that nothing in this subsection shall prejudicially affect the rights of a personal representative in relation to the estate of the deceased.

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(2) This section shall apply whether the disposition to which the registered proprietor is bound to give effect subject as aforesaid is made before or after the commencement of this Act.

(3) This section shall not apply in those cases in which other provision has been made for giving effect in the Register Book to any disposition.

(4) In this section, except where a contrary intention appears—

"disposition" includes a disclaimer surrender or release; and

"registered disposition" means a disposition which takes effect under the powers conferred by this Act on the registered proprietor of land by way of transfer, lease, mortgage or charge or otherwise.

71. The Second Schedule to the principal Act is amended by substituting for the last paragraph relating to persons authorised to attest the signature of the applicant, the following words:—

(The applicant if within the State to sign before the Registrar or an Assistant Registrar or a notary public, justice of the peace, commissioner for taking affidavits in the Supreme Court of Western Australia or legal practitioner; if out of the State, before a notary public, justice of the peace, or a commissioner for taking affidavits in the Supreme Court of Western Australia).

Fourth Schedule smended.

Second Schedule

> 72. The Fourth Schedule to the principal Act is amended by substituting for the last paragraph relating to persons authorised to attest the signature of the applicant, the following words:—

(The applicant if within the State to sign before the Registrar or an Assistant Registrar or a notary public, justice of the peace, commissioner for taking affidavits in the Supreme Transfer of Land.

Court of Western Australia or legal practitioner; if out of the State, before a notary public, justice of the peace, or a commissioner for taking affidavits in the Supreme Court of Western Australia).

73. The Seventeenth Schedule to the principal Seventeenth schedule to the principal Act is repealed and substituted by the following substituted.

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FORM OF TRANSFER OF LAND UNDER WRIT OF FIERI FACIAS OR WARRANT OF EXECUTION.

Sections 90 and 133.

I (insert name).....as the (Sheriff of)..... (or Magistrate of the Local Court held at)..... in pursuance of a writ of *fieri facias* tested the......day and issued out of the Supreme Court (or warrant of execu-Court) in an action wherein (A.B.)....is the plaintiff and (C.D.) is the defendant, and (C.D.) is registered as the proprietor of an estate (here state nature of the estate) in the land hereinafter described subject to the encumbrances notified hereunder and to effectuate the sale made under the writ (or warrant) do hereby in con-(insert addition) transfer to (E.F.)..... all the estate and interest of (C.D.)..... in all that .....(if the land transferred be part only of the land comprised in the grant or existing certificate, set forth in links or links and feet the boundaries and refer to a map).

Encumbrances referred to.

#### Western Australia.

### FORM OF TRANSFER OF LEASE, MORTGAGE, OR CHARGE UNDER WRIT OF FIERI FACIAS OR WARRANT OF EXECUTION.

I (insert name) .....as the (Sheriff of)..... (or Magistrate of the Local Court held at)..... in pursuance of a writ of fieri facias tested the...... day of ...... one thousand nine hundred and ..... and issued out of the Supreme Court (or warrant of execution dated the ...... day of ..... one thousand nine hundred and..... and issued out of the Local Court) in an action wherein (A.B.)....is the plaintiff and (C.D.)..... is the defendant and (C.D.)..... is registered as the proprietor of a lease of (or mortgage or charge, as the case may be), numbered....., upon the land hereinafter described subject to the encumbrances notified hereunder and to effectuate the sale made under the writ (or warrant) do hereby in consideration of the sum of paid to me by (E.F.) (insert addition)..... transfer to (E.F.) ... all the estate and interest of (C.D.)..... as such registered proprietor in all that (or otherwise according to the description in the lease, mortgage, or charge, or describe the land in general terms by reference to the registered instrument).

Dated the ...... day of .... one thousand nine hundred and

Signed by the said (Sheriff or Magistrate) in the (E.F.) in the presence of—

Encumbrances referred to.

### Western Australia.

#### FORM OF TRANSFER OF LAND UNDER DECREE OR ORDER OF SUPREME COURT.

I (insert name)..... in pursuance of a decree or order of the Supreme Court dated the ...... day of .....one thousand nine hundred and ......and entered in the register book vol......fol......hereby transfer to (E.F.) (insert addition)...... subject to the encumbrances notified hereunder all the estate and interest of......(who is registered as the proprietor of an estate (here state nature of the estate)..... 1950.]

in the land hereinafter described) in all that...... (if the land transferred be part only of the land comprised in the grant or existing certificates set forth in links or links and feet the boundaries and refer to a map).

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in the presence of— (E.F.) in the presence of—

Encumbrances referred to.

Western Australia.

### FORM OF TRANSFER OF LEASE, MORTGAGE, OR CHARGE UNDER DECREE OR ORDER OF SUPREME COURT.

I (insert name) ..... in pursuance of a decree or order of the Supreme Court dated the ......... day of ..... one thousand nine hundred and ......and entered in the register book vol.....fol......hereby transfer to (E.F.) (insert addition)......subject to the encumbrances notified hereunder all the estate and of a lease of (or mortgage or charge, as the case may be), numbered ....., upon the land hereinafter described) in all that ...... (or otherwise according to the description in the lease, mortgage, or charge or describe the land in general terms by reference to the registered instrument).

Dated the...... day of ..... one thousand nine hundred and..... Signed by the said 3

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(E.F.) in the presence of—	•

Encumbrances referred to.

74. The last Schedule to the principal Act is Repeal of last schedule. repealed.

75. (1) By way of revision, for the purpose of re-printing, the provisions of the amending Acts are visions of the pro-visions of the amending Acts are visions of the proamended to the extent specified in the Schedule to the amend-ing Actathis Act.

(2) The provisions of the last preceding subsection shall not be construed so as to affect the provisions of the Amendments Incorporation Act, 1938.

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60 Vict. No. 22.	Transfer of Land Act, 1893, Amendment Act, 1896.	1.	Add after the section number, "6" the following:— The said Act is amended by adding as section two hundred and forty-three the follow- ing:—
2 Edw., VII No. 10.	Transfer of Land Act Amendment Act, 1902.	2.	Add after the section number, "7" the following:— The principal Act is amended by adding as section one hundred and fifty-three A the following:—
		3.	Substitute for the words "this Act" in line two of section seven, the words "the Trans- fer of Land Act Amendment Act, 1902."
		4.	Add after the section number, "8" the following:— The principal Act is amended by adding as section one hundred and sixty-seven A the following:—
		5.	Substitute for the words "the principal" in line three of sec- tion eight the word "this."
No. 54 of 1909.	Transfer of Land Act Amendment Act, 1909.	6.	Add as section one A the fol- lowing:— The principal Act is amended by adding between lines eight and nine of section one the following heading:—
			Part IIIA.—Crown Leases, ss. 81A-811.
		7.	Add as section two A the fol- lowing:— The principal Act is amended by adding after section eighty- one the following heading:—
			Part IIIA.
			Crown Leases.
		8.	Add after the section number "3" the following:
			The principal Act is amended by adding as section eighty- one A the following:—
		9.	Substitute for the words "this Act" in line two of subsection (1) of section three the words "the Transfer of Land Act Amendment Act, 1909."

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	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	10.	Substitute for the words "th principal" in line four of sub section (1) of section thre the word "this."
		11.	Add after the section number "4" the following:—
			The principal Act is amende by adding as section eighty one B the following:—
		12.	Substitute for the words "thi Act in lines one and two c subsection (1) of section fou the words "the Transfer c Land Act Amendment Ac 1909."
		13.	Substitute for the words "th principal" in line three of sub section (1) of section four th word "this."
			Add before the word "Sche dule" in line three of subsec tion (1) of section four th words "Twenty-Eighth."
			Substitute for the words "th principal" in line three of paragraph (b) of subsectio (5) of section four, the wor "this."
		16.	Add after the section number "5" the following:—
			The principal Act is amende by adding as section eighty one C the following:—
			Substitute for the words "th principal" in line five of sec tion five the word "this."
			Substitute for the words "thi Act" in line eight of sectio five the words "the Transfe of Land Act Amendment Ac 1909."
		19. 4	Add after the section number "6" the following:—
			The principal Act is amende by adding as section eighty one D the following:—
			Delete the words "or the prin cipal Act" in line one of sub section (2) of section six.
		21. 4	Add after the section number "7" the following:—
			The principal Act is amended by adding as section eighty one E the following:—
		22. 4	Add after the section number "8" the following:—

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		The principal Act is ame by adding as section eig one F the following:—	ghty
		23. Add after the section num "9" the following:	
		The principal Act is ame by adding as section eig one G the following:—	
		24. Substitute for the word newed" in line two of su tion (3) of section nine word, "reviewed."	bsec
		25. Add after the section num "10" the following:—	nbe
		The principal Act is ame by adding as section eig one H the following:—	
		26. Substitute for the words principal" in line two of section (1) of section ter word "this."	sub
		27. Substitute for the word "e in line eight of subsection of section ten the "eighty-one F."	
		28. Add after the section nur "15" the following:—	nbe
		The principal Act is ame by adding as subsection ( section sixty-three A the lowing:—	1) (
		29. Delete the words betweer word "easement" in line and the word "or" in line of section fifteen.	thre
		30. Add after the section nur "16" the following:— The principal Act is ame	
		by adding as subsection ( section sixty-three A the lowing:	2) (
		31. Substitute for section section teen the following:—	
		17. Section one hun and ninety-six of the prin Act is amended by subst ing for the words "the br	cip: titut
		by a proprietor of any whether express, implied constructive: nor" in	trus d c line
		three and four, the words breach by a registered prietor of any trust, wh express or implied or	pro ethe
		structive, or by the imple exercise of any power of expressed or implied in	rope sal

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	-	mortgage or encumbrance to any person claiming ur an unregistered instrum document or writing, or equitable mortgage or cha by deposit or otherwise w out writing, or any other terest not protected by cav by or in consequence of issue to any registered r prietor of a new certificate title pursuant to sec seventy-five of this Act."
		32. Section eighteen is repealed
		33. Add the following sections 19. The principal Act amended by adding the lowing Schedule:—
		Twenty-Eighth Schedule
		Application to register a Crown Lease under the Transfer of Land Act, 1893.
		To the Registrar of Titles- I (insert name, address, a occupation) hereby apply have the land hereinal described brought under operation of the Transfer Land Act, 1893. And I clare:
		1. That I am the lessee mortgagee or as the case n be) of a Crown lease of that.
		2. That there are no do ments or evidences of t affecting such land in my p session or under my con other than those included the Schedule hereto.
		3. That I am not aware any mortgage or encumbra or sublease affecting the s land or that any other per- has any estate or inten therein at law or in equity there are any add other th as follows and set the sa forth).
		Dated this day of one thousand nine hund and Made and subscribed at in the presence of—

SCHEDULE—continued.

No. of A	et.	Short title.	Item.	Amendment.
				(The applicant if within the State to sign before the Regis- trar or an Assistant Registrar or a notary public, justice of the peace, commissioner for taking affidavits in the Su- preme Court of Western Aus- tralia or legal practitioner; if out of the State, before a notary public, justice of the peace, or a commissioner for taking affidavits in the Su- preme Court of Western Aus- tralia).
				Schedule of Documents referred to.
				20. The Schedule is re- pealed.
No. 26 1911.	OÍ	Transfer of Land Act Amendment Act, 1911.	34.	Add after the section number, "2" the following:— The principal Act is amended by adding as section eighty- one I the following:—
			35.	Substitute for the words "this Act" appearing firstly in lines two and three and secondly in line six of subsection (1) of section two, the words "the Transfer of Land Act Amend- ment Act, 1911".
			36.	Section three is repealed.
No. 14 1929.	of	Transfer of Land Act Amendment Act, 1929.	37.	Substitute for subsection (2) of section two the following:— (2) This section as amended by the Transfer of Land Act Amendment Act, 1929, applies to transfers received by the Registrar before or after the commencement of that Act.
No. 42 1929.	of	Transfer of Land Act Amendment Act, 1929 (No. 2).	38.	Substitute for the words "this Act" in the last line of the section substituted for section one hundred and forty-five of the Transfer of Land Act, 1893, by section two, the words, "the Transfer of Land Act Amendment Act, 1929 (No. 2)."
			39.	Section three is repealed.
No. 28 1944.	0Î	Transfer of Land Act Amendment Act, 1944.	40.	Repeal subsection (3) of the section substituted for section seventy-five of the principal Act by section two.

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No. of Act.	Short title.	Item.	Amendment.
No. 6 of 1946.	Transfer of Land Act Amendment Act, 1946.	41. 42.	Section three is repealed. Add to section two after the word, "amended" in line two the following paragraph:— (aa) by adding after the section number, "126" the figure one in brackets thus—(1).