NORTHERN AUSTRALIA SURVEY AGREEMENT.

26° Geo. V., No. III.

No. 3 of 1935.

AN ACT to authorise the co-operation of the State with the Commonwealth and the State of Queensland in a geophysical survey of certain areas in the Northern parts of Australia and for other relative purposes.

[Assented to 3rd October, 1935.]

Preamble.

THEREAS by an Act of the Commonwealth Parliament (No. 61 of 1934), entitled the Northern Australia Survey Act, 1934, the Commonwealth was authorised to co-operate with the States of Queensland and Western Australia in the conduct of a geological and geophysical survey of certain areas in the Northern parts of Australia, and for the purpose of meeting the cost of the said survey it was agreed that the Commonwealth and the State of Western Australia and the State of Queensland should provide the sum of one hundred and fifty thousand pounds, of which the Commonwealth would provide one half and each of the States one quarter: And it was further provided in the said Act that a committee should be appointed to carry out such survey with the powers and duties therein mentioned: And whereas it is desired to ratify such agreement on the part of this State: 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:-

Short title.

- This Act may be cited as the Northern Australia Survey Agreement Act, 1935.
- This Act shall commence on a date to be fixed by proclamation.*

Commencement.

> * Proclaimed to commence 25th October, 1935. (See Gazette, 25th October, 1935.)

- 3. In this Act, unless contrary intention appears __ Definitions.
 - "Chairman" means the chairman of the survey com- Chairman. mittee.
 - "The prescribed area" means those parts of the The prescribed States and the Northern Territory of Australia which the committee, by notice published in the Commonwealth Gazette, declares to be parts to which it considers the survey should extend.

- "The States" means the States of Western Austra. The States. lia and Queensland.
- "The survey" means the geological and geophysical The survey. survey of such areas within the prescribed area as the survey committee thinks fit.
- "The survey committee" means the committee ap- The survey committee. pointed under section six of the Commonwealth Act.
- "The Commonwealth Act" means the Northern Aus- The Commontralia Survey Act, 1934 (No. 61 of 1934), enacted by the Parliament of the Commonwealth.

The co-operation by the State with the Common-Ratification. wealth and Queensland in the conduct of the survey, and the provision of moneys to meet the cost thereof, is hereby approved, but nothing in such approval shall be taken to render the State liable to payment of any greater sum than thirty-seven thousand five hundred pounds in respect of the cost of the survey.

- There shall be payable out of consolidated revenue Appropriation. for the purpose of the survey the sum of thirty-seven thousand five hundred pounds, which is hereby appropriated accordingly.
- The Governor may appoint one member of the sur- State reprevey committee to represent the State, and such member sentative. shall hold office during the pleasure of the Governor.
- The survey committee may exercise all such powers of in the State of Western Australia as are specifically conferred on it by sections seven, eight, eleven, and twelve of the Commonwealth Act.