LAND TAX AND INCOME TAX.

10° GEO. V., No. XIV.

No. 26 of 1919.

AN ACT to impose a Land Tax and an Income Tax.

[Assented to 27th November, 1919.]

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TTE, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, Preamble. the Legislative Assembly of Western Australia in Parliament assembled, towards raising the necessary supplies to defray Your Majesty's public expenses, and making an addition to the public revenue, have freely and voluntarily resolved to give and grant unto Your Majesty the duties hereinafter mentioned, and do therefore most humbly beseech Your Majesty that it may be enacted: And be it therefore 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 Land Tax and Income short title. Tax Act, 1919.

2. For the year ending the thirtieth day of June, One Grant of land tax and income thousand nine hundred and twenty, there shall be charged, tax for the year levied, collected, and paid for the use of His Majesty, under June, 1920. and subject to the Land and Income Tax Assessment Act, 1907, the Land and Income Tax Assessment Act Amendment Act, 1917, and the Land and Income Tax Assessment Act Amendment Act, 1918, and in manner therein prescribed—

(a) A land tax at the rate of one penny for every pound sterling of the unimproved value, as assessed by or under the said Acts, of all land chargeable with such tax:

Provided that the tax payable in respect of a pastoral lease shall be at the rate of one penny for every pound sterling—

- (i) of a sum equal to twenty times the amount of the annual rent reserved by the lease; or
- (ii) if the lessee has applied for a new lease under subsection four of section thirty of the Land Act Amendment Act, 1917, and such application has been approved, or the lessee has, under the provisions of the Land Act Amendment Act, 1918, paid double rent in respect of his holding of a sum equal to twenty times the amount of the annual rent payable or paid by the lessee; and
- (b) An income tax on the income chargeable of all taxpayers at the rates prescribed by section three of this Act.

3. (1.) When the whole of the income chargeable of a taxpayer does not exceed £4,766, the rate of tax per pound sterling shall be 2.006 pence where the income chargeable is £101 sterling, and shall increase uniformly with each increase of one pound sterling of the income chargeable by .006 of one penny.

Such rate of tax may be calculated from the following formula:---

R = rate of tax in pence per pound sterling.

I = income chargeable in pounds sterling.

 $R = \{2 + \cdot 006 (I - 100)\}$ pence.

When the whole of the income chargeable of a taxpayer exceeds £4,766, the rate of tax for every pound sterling thereof shall be thirty pence.

(2) Where the income chargeable from all sources of a taxpayer who is married or has a dependant amounts to $\pounds 157$ and no more, the tax payable by him shall not exceed one pound.

4. The minimum amount payable by any taxpayer for land tax or income tax shall be two shillings and sixpence.

Credit for payments under Dividend Duties Act, 1902.

Minimum amount

payable.

5. Notwithstanding anything contained in the Land and Income Tax Assessment Act, 1907, to the contrary—

(1.) If the income chargeable of any person, together with income received by him in respect of the dividends of

Rate of Income Tax. a company subject to duty under the Dividend Duties Act, 1902, amounts during the year ending the 30th day of June, 1919, to such a sum as if it were all income chargeable would be liable to income tax at a rate exceeding one shilling and threepence for every pound sterling thereof, income tax shall be payable by such person on the amount of such aggregate income, but he shall receive credit for the duty payable under the Dividend Duties Act, 1902, in respect of his income derived from a company as aforesaid.

(2.) If any person not in receipt of any income chargeable is, during the year ending the 30th day of June, 1919, in receipt of income derived from dividends within the meaning of the Dividend Duties Act, 1902, and such income exceeds $\pounds 2,267$, he shall be liable to pay income tax on such income, but he shall receive credit for the duty payable under the Dividend Duties Act, 1902, in respect thereof.

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