WESTERN AUSTRALIA.



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II.

No. 2 of 1907.

ANACT to further amend the Public Education Act. 1899.

[Assented to 2nd September, 1907.]

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 Public Education Amend- Short title. ment Act, 1907, and shall be read as one with the Public Education Act, 1899.
 - 2. Unless some reasonable excuse for non-attendance is shown— Compulsory attend-

(a.) The parent of every child of not less than six nor more than nine years of age shall, if there is a Government or efficient school within two miles of such child's residence measured by the nearest road or other reasonable means of access, cause such child to attend such school on such days as the school is open;

- (b.) The parent of every child of not less than nine nor more than fourteen years of age shall, if there is a Govern ment or efficient school within three miles of such child's residence measured by the nearest road or other reasonable means of access, cause such child to attend such school on the days on which the school is open;
- (c.) The parent of every child of not less than nine nor more than fourteen years of age shall, if there is a Government or efficient school within twelve miles of such child's residence, and there is a suitable railway service whereby the distance to be travelled by the child on foot shall not exceed two miles, cause such child to attend such school on the days on which the school is open: But no railway service shall be deemed suitable which does not enable the child to leave and return to his residence between sunrise and sunset on the days on which the school is open.

Provided always, that a continuous attendance of two hours for secular instruction by any child shall count as half-a-day's attendance; but this proviso shall not justify the absence of a child during any portion of the prescribed time for attendance, or the withdrawal of a child before the prescribed time for closing the school.

Repeal.

3. The Acts mentioned in the Schedule are hereby repealed to the extent therein stated.

The Schedule.

Date of Act.	 Title of Act.	Extent of repeal
35 Vict., No. 14	 The Elementary Education Act, 1871	Section 21.
41 Vict., No. 11	 The Elementary Education Act, 1871, Amendment Act, 1877	Section 3.
58 Vict., No. 30	 The Elementary Education Act, 1871, Amendment Act, 1894	Section 2.
63 Vict., No. 3	 The Public Education Act, 1899	Section 6.
5 Edw. VII., No. 6	 The Public Education Amendment Act, 1905	Section 2.