

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

ANNO TRIGESIMO QUINTO

VICTORIÆ REGINÆ

No. 11

An Act to amend the Ordinance intituled 'The Inquiries into Wrecks Ordinance, 1864.'

*[Assented to 17th August, 1871.]*

WHEREAS it is expedient to enable the principal Officer of Customs and the Justice of the Peace associated with him in inquiries under 'The Inquiries into Wrecks Ordinance, 1864,' to take the deposition on oath of persons offered as witnesses who are about to leave the Colony: Be it therefore enacted by His Excellency the Governor of Western Australia and its Dependencies, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:—

Preamble

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1. Any person about to leave the Colony before the day fixed for the hearing of any inquiry under 'The Inquiries into Wrecks Ordinance, 1864,' and whose evidence may be deemed material either for or against the person or persons whose conduct is to be inquired into, may be examined on oath before the Collector of Customs and Justice of the Peace appointed to assist him in the presence of the person or persons charged with misconduct or of his or their legal adviser.

Persons about to leave the Colony may give evidence

2. Such evidence shall be taken down in writing, and shall be signed by the person examined, and such depositions shall remain in the custody of the Collector of Customs, and shall be read and received as evidence at the hearing of the inquiry.

Evidence to be in writing

3. This Act may be cited for all purposes as 'The Inquiries into Wrecks Ordinance 1864 Amendment Act, 1871.'

Short title

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GOVERNOR.