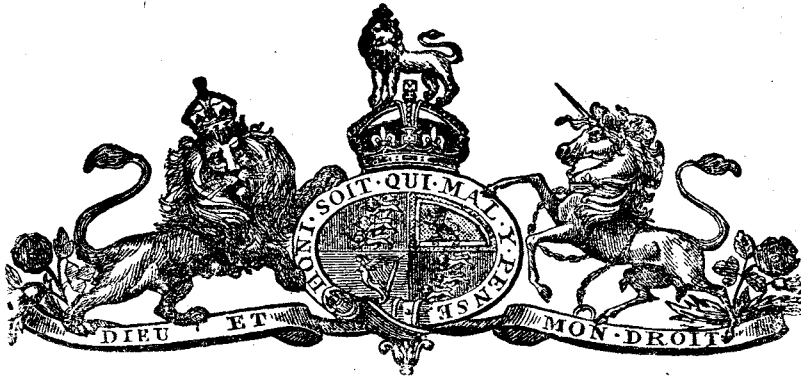


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AN ACT to further amend "The Returned Soldiers' Settlement Act, 1916," and "The Closer Settlement Act, 1913," and for other purposes. A.D. 1918.
[14 January, 1919.]

BE it enacted by His Excellency the Governor of Tasmania, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, in Parliament assembled as follows:—

1 This Act may be cited as "The Returned Soldiers' Settlement Act, 1918," and shall be incorporated and read as one with "The Returned Soldiers' Settlement Act, 1916" (hereinafter called the Principal Act), and any amendment thereof. Short title and incorporation with 7 Geo. V. No. 20.

Returned Soldiers' Settlement Amendment.

A. D. 1918.

Amendment of
Section 5 of
4 Geo. V. No. 39.

2 Section Five of "The Closer Settlement Act, 1913." is hereby amended as follows:—

- i. By repealing Subsections (1) and (2) thereof and substituting the following therefor:—

"(1) For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Act and 'The Returned Soldiers' Settlement Act, 1916,' there shall be a Board consisting of not less than Four nor more than Nine members, One of whom shall be the Chairman of the Board. The members present shall elect One of their number to be chairman for any meeting where the appointed chairman is absent. One-third at least of the members of the Board shall be returned soldiers.

- (2) The name of the said Board shall be The Closer Settlements Board; and the chairman and members shall be appointed by the Governor.

The present members of the existing Closer Settlements Board together with the additional member (being a returned soldier) appointed for the purposes of 'The Returned Soldiers' Settlement Act, 1916,' shall be deemed to have been appointed members of the Board":

- ii. By inserting the following new subsection after Subsection (4) thereof:—

"(4a) The Board, with the approval of the Minister, may from time to time appoint such committees of any number of its members for any purposes of or in furtherance of the objects of this Act or of 'The Returned Soldiers Settlement Act, 1916,' which it may think would be better regulated or managed by a committee

Committees.

The Board, with the approval of the Minister, may delegate to any such committee all or any of the powers and duties of the Board, and may remove any member of any such committee and fill any vacancy in any committee, however arising.

Every committee shall be subject to any regulations and restrictions which the Board may impose":

- iii. As to Subsection (5), by inserting after the word "thereof," in the First line of the subsection, the words "and every committee appointed by the Board, and the several members of the committee":

- iv. By repealing Subsection (6) thereof.

Returned Soldiers' Settlement Amendment.

3 Subsection (2) of Section Four of the Principal Act is hereby repealed, and the following substituted therefor:— **A.D. 1918.**

“(2) The Governor shall determine the mode and rate of the—

- i. Remuneration of every member of the Board other than the President, for his services under ‘The Closer Settlement Act, 1913,’ and under this Act as such member; and

- ii. Travelling allowance of every member of the Board—

and such remuneration and allowance shall be a charge upon and paid out of the Closer Settlements Fund and the Returned Soldiers' Settlement Fund upon such basis and in such proportions as the Minister may determine.

No member of the Board shall be entitled to receive or be paid in any One financial year for such remuneration (excluding any travelling allowance) more than Three hundred and fifty Pounds.”

Repeal and re-enactment of Subsection (2) of Section 4 of Principal Act.

4 Section Six of the Principal Act is hereby amended as from the commencement of that Act by omitting from Subsection (1) the words “One hundred and fifty thousand,” and substituting for them the words “Three hundred and fifty thousand.”

Amendment of Section 6 of Principal Act.

5 Section Seven of the Principal Act is hereby amended as from the commencement of that Act by—

- i. Omitting the word “Three” in Paragraph vii. of Subsection (2) thereof, and substituting the word “Four”;

- ii. Omitting Subsection (3) thereof.

Amendment of Section 7 of Principal Act: amount of advances for erection of buildings increased from £300 to £400.

6 Section Nine of the Principal Act is hereby amended—

- i. As to Subsection (3) by omitting the word “President” from the subsection and substituting therefor the word “Board”;

- ii. As to Subsection (8) by omitting the words —

“All applications shall be dealt with by the President and it shall be the duty of the President,” and substituting therefor the words “Applications shall be considered and dealt with by the Board or a committee of not less than Three members thereof (One of them being a returned soldier), and it shall be the duty of the Board or such committee.”

Amendment of Section 9 of Principal Act.

7. Subsection Nine of Section Eleven of the Principal Act is hereby amended as from the commencement of that Act by omitting therefrom the words “remit any amount not exceeding One hundred Pounds,” and substituting therefor the words “make a remission not exceeding what would be equivalent to or result from a cash payment of One hundred Pounds on account of the moneys.”

Amendment of Section 11 of Principal Act.

Returned Soldiers' Settlement Amendment.

A.D. 1918.

Amendment of
Section 12 of
Principal Act.

8 Section Twelve of the Principal Act is hereby amended as from the commencement of that Act by inserting after the word "lessee" in the Sixth line of Subsection (4) the following words:—"Of any privately owned land or."

Power to make
allowances to
discharged
soldiers share-
farming on
private lands.

9 After Section **12b** of the Principal Act the following section is hereby inserted:—

"**12c** To encourage persons and bodies of persons, corporate or unincorporate, to assist discharged soldiers who are parties to share-farming agreements, the Minister may in any case, if the terms and conditions of the share-farming agreement are, in the opinion of the President, equitable and advantageous to the discharged soldier, make advances (not exceeding in the whole the sum of Three hundred Pounds) to such discharged soldier for the purchase of stock, pigs, poultry, implements, and other things necessary to carry out the share-farming agreement.

Payment off of
loans from Agri-
cultural Bank.

10 After Section **13a** of the Principal Act the following section is inserted:—

"**13b** The Minister, on the recommendation of the President, may, out of the Returned Soldiers' Settlement Fund, pay off any advance or portion thereof and interest not exceeding in the whole the sum of One hundred Pounds, payable to the Trustees of the Agricultural Bank of Tasmania by any discharged soldier or his dependents in respect of a loan to such soldier by such Trustees.

In this section "dependents" of a discharged soldier has the meaning assigned to the expression by Subsection Nine of Section Eleven of this Act."