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An Act to extend the terms of certain leases of the Waste Lands of the Crown for pastoral purposes; and to make provision for payment, in certain cases, for improvements effected on lands comprised in leases granted for renewed terms, under the Act No. 20 of 1858, intituled "An Act for an assessment on Stock, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

[Assented to, 9th December, 1864.]

WHEREAS certain persons have applied for leases under the laws and regulations for granting Leases for pastoral purposes, and leases have in some cases been granted upon such application for a shorter period than fourteen years without the knowledge or consent of the persons receiving the same; and whereas it is desirable, where renewed leases for five years only are granted under the Act No. 20 of 1858, intituled "An Act for an Assessment on Stock and for other purposes therein mentioned," to make provision for the payment for certain improvements which may be effected during such renewed term—Be it therefore Enacted by the Governor-in-Chief of the Province of South Australia, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly of the said Province, in this present Parliament assembled, as follows:

1. The lessee of any of the Waste Lands of the Crown for pastoral purposes, except under annual leases and leases taken at auction, the original lease whereof was granted for a less term than fourteen years, shall hold the same lands for a further term, commencing from the expiration of the term granted by such lease, sufficient to make up the full term of fourteen years from the day on which the original term commenced, upon and subject to the same terms, conditions, and agreements as are contained in the original
original lease thereof; and any covenant for renewal in any such original lease shall take effect as though such lease had been for fourteen years instead of for the term therein mentioned, and the lessee shall be entitled to all the privileges conferred by, and be subject to all the provisions contained in the before-mentioned Act: Provided that this Act shall not apply, unless within twelve calendar months from the coming into operation of this Act the Commissioner of Crown Lands shall notify in the Government Gazette that he has been satisfied that the original lease was granted for a less term than fourteen years, without the knowledge and consent of the original lessee.

2. At the termination of any renewed lease granted under the provisions of the said Act, the person beneficially interested in the lands then held under such lease shall be paid out of the General Revenue for any wells, dams, and reservoirs which may have been made between the revaluation of the lands comprised in the original lease and the termination of the renewed lease, and which may be of a permanent character and increase the carrying capabilities of the lands comprised in such lease, and the value of such improvements shall be decided in the same manner as the value of improvements on the resumption of pastoral lands is by law decided, and all the regulations in force having reference to payment for improvements on pastoral lands on resumption thereof shall apply to payment for improvements under this Act.

In the name and on behalf of the Queen I hereby assent to this Act.

D. DALY, Governor.