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MINES REGULATIONS.

5 OF 1882.

TO AMEND THE LAW RELATING TO MINES.

See also Law 12 of 1924

ROBERT BIDDULPH.]

[March 20, 1882.

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Concession to be made by writing under hand of High Commissioner instead of Imperial Decree.

Sec. 2 of Law 5 of 1882 (at p. 565) has been amended by the addition thereto of the following proviso:-

Provided that all functions and authorities relating to the issue of permits to prospect for minerals, other than oil, are hereby vested in the Governor, who may from time to time by writing under his hand depute to the Colonial Secretary all or any of such functions and authorities as are hereby vested in him.

Vide Law 3 of 1928 (as amended by Law 32/928)

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Concession to be made by writing under hand of High Commissioner instead of Imperial Decree.

2. All functions and authorities which under the said regulations are vested in the Imperial Ottoman Government, the Council of State, the Council of Mines, the Administration of Mines, the Council of the Province or any other authority outside this Island are hereby vested in the High Commissioner in Council.

Functions of various Ottoman authorities, vested in High Commissioner in Council.

Reports and records necessary only in Cyprus.

3. Notwithstanding any thing in the said regulations contained, it shall not be necessary to communicate to any person or authority outside this Island any report or record of anything done or agreed to be done under or by virtue of the said regulations, or to make any publication or to do any act or thing by the said regulations required to be made or done so far as the same is required to be made or done outside this Island.

Records where to be kept.

4. Wherever any proceeding is by the said regulations required to be recorded, a record thereof shall be deemed sufficient if made and kept at the Land Registry Office; and where by such regulations any reference is required to be made to records of proceedings thereunder, such reference shall be made to the records so kept.

Persons holding concessions to observe the laws of the Island.

5. So much of Article 20 of the said regulations as enacts that every concession shall be under the condition that the person to whom it is granted shall conform to the laws of the empire is hereby repealed, and it is hereby enacted that every concession granted shall be under the condition that the person to whom it is granted shall observe all laws in force or at any time to come into force within this Island.

Engineers to be named by High Commissioner.

6. All the functions and authorities which by the said regulations are vested in the Engineers of the Administration of Mines and the engineers of the mines respectively shall be henceforth vested in such person as shall be from time to time named in that behalf by the High Commissioner.

Applications valid though not made in conformity with regulations.

7. The High Commissioner in Council may, if he shall think fit, entertain any application for a concession under the said regulations as amended by this Law, notwithstanding that the application is not made in conformity with the requirements of the said regulations; and no publication, posting or advertisement of any application or of any concession made thereupon shall be necessary unless the High Commissioner in Council shall otherwise direct.

Power to the High Commissioner in Council to suspend certain provisions of the law in certain cases.

8. The High Commissioner in Council may, upon the making of any concession or at any subsequent time, direct that such of the provisions of Articles 39 and 40 of the said regulations as provide for the payment of a fixed surface rent, so far as the same relate to land not being vacouf land or the property of any individual as mulk, and the provisions of Article 66 of the said regulations, or any of such provisions, shall so far as relates to such concession be suspended, either in whole or in part, and for such time as the High Commissioner shall think fit.

9. All rents and sums of money payable in respect of any concession or otherwise under the provisions of the said regulations as amended by this Law, and which under the provisions of the said regulations would have been recoverable by any person or authority on behalf of the Imperial Ottoman Government, shall be paid into the Island Treasury for the use of the Government of the Island.

Rents and royalties payable to Treasury.

10. The words "for a period of ninety-nine years," in Article 7 of the said regulations, shall be construed to mean "for a period not exceeding ninety-nine years."

Interpretation.

PART 2.

11. In this Part of this Law the word "oil" includes "gas."

Interpretation.

12. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Law or any other law, no person shall prospect for oil without a permit by the High Commissioner in Council. A permit to prospect for oil may be issued to such persons, over such areas, for such periods, and on such conditions as to the High Commissioner in Council shall seem fit, provided always that every such oil permit shall contain an undertaking to make compensation for damage and that security for the same shall be taken in such amount as the High Commissioner in Council shall prescribe. No permit to prospect for oil shall operate to prevent any person otherwise entitled to do so from prospecting over the same area for mineral substances other than oil or to prevent the High Commissioner in Council from issuing a permit for such purpose, provided that such prospecting work shall not injure the prospecting work under the permit to prospect for oil.

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Oil prospecting permit.
6, 1916, 3.

13. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Law or any other law, the High Commissioner in Council may grant a licence to such persons, over such areas, for such periods, and on such conditions as to the High Commissioner in Council may seem fit, to mine and win oil. Such licence shall provide a royalty to be taken by the Government at a rate and in manner to be provided in the said licence. Provided always that such licence shall contain an undertaking to make compensation for damage and that security for the same shall be taken in such amount as the High Commissioner in Council shall prescribe. If the licensees cannot obtain the consent of the landowners to sell to the licensees the land required for the exploitation of the mine, they may, subject to the approval of the High Commissioner in Council, purchase the said

Licence to work oil.
6, 1916, 4.

land upon payment to the owners of double the value thereof, to be assessed by some person to be appointed for the purpose by the High Commissioner.

Short title. 14. This Law may be cited as the Mines Regulations Amendment Law, 1882.

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AS TO THE ELECTION OF MUNICIPAL COUNCILS, THE ASSESSMENT AND LEVYING OF MUNICIPAL RATES AND THE AUDITING OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTS AND OTHER MATTERS.

ROBERT BIDDULPH.]

[April 29, 1882.]

Short title. 1. This Law may be cited as the Municipal Councils Law, 1882.

PART 1.

CREATION AND CONSTITUTION OF COUNCILS.

Continuance of established Municipalities.

2. Every town which at the time of this Law coming into force has a Municipal Council shall, subject to the provisions of this Law, continue to have a Municipal Council.

High Commissioner may allow establishment of Municipal Councils,

3. If on the petition to the High Commissioner of the inhabitant householders of any town or village or collection of towns or villages conveniently situate or of any of such inhabitants the High Commissioner in Council shall think fit to allow any such town or village or collection of towns or villages or any part thereof, which may be specified in the Order, with or without any adjoining place, to have a Municipal Council, it shall be lawful for the High Commissioner in Council to give such town or village or collection of towns or villages and the inhabitants thereof the right to have a Municipal Council with the powers, rights, duties and liabilities by law vested in and imposed upon Municipal Councils; and to define the limits within which the said Council shall have such powers,