LIGHTHOUSES

No. 35 of 1942.

An Act to aniend the Lighthouses Act 1911-1919.

[Assented to 12th June, 1942.] [Date of commencement, 10th July, 1942.]

BE it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, the Senate, and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, as follows:—

Short title and citation.

- 1.—(1.) This Act may be cited as the Lighthouses Act 1942.
- (2.) The Lighthouses Act 1911-1919* is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.
- (3.) The Principal Act, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the Lighthouses Act 1911-1942.

Definitions.

- 2. Section three of the Principal Act is amended-
- (a) by adding at the end of the definition of "Collector" the words ", or any person authorized by the Minister to collect light dues;"; and
- (b) by adding at the end thereof the following definition:—
- "'Ship' includes every description of vessel used in navigation not ordinarily propelled by oars only.".

Administration .

- 3. Section four of the Principal Act is repealed.
- 4. Section eight of the Principal Act is repealed and the following section inserted in its stead:—

Powers of inspection and maintenance.

- "8.—(1.) The Minister or any officer thereto authorized by the Minister may, at any reasonable time in the day or night—
 - (a) inspect any marine mark, lamp or light which, in his opinion, may affect the safety or convenience of navigation, whether the lamp or light is the property of a State or authority of a State or of any private person, and for that purpose may enter upon any property, whether of a public or private nature; and
 - (b) for any purpose in connexion with the maintenance of a lighthouse or marine mark which is the property of the Commonwealth or in connexion with the establishment of any lighthouse or marine mark by the Minister, transport, or cause to be transported, any goods through any property whether of a public or private nature.

Act No. 14, 1911, as amended by No. 17, 1915 and No. 6, 1919.

"(2.) A person shall not hinder or obstruct the Minister or any authorized officer in exercising his powers under this section.

Penalty: Fifty pounds.".

5. Section thirteen of the Principal Act is amended—

Light dues.

- (a) by omitting from sub-section (1.) the words "or vessels";
- (b) by omitting sub-section (2.) and inserting in its stead the following sub-section:—
- "(2.) The Regulations may prescribe the rates or scales of light dues to be payable in respect of ships, and may make provision for the refund or remission of light dues and for the exemption of any ship or ships included in a class of ships from payment of light dues."; and
 - (c) by omitting the proviso to sub-section (3.).