DISTRICT COURTS (FURTHER VALIDATION AND AMEND-MENT) ACT.

Act No. 35, 1932.

George V. No. 35, 1932. An Act to enable the Governor to make appointments of Acting District Court Judges and Acting Chairmen of Quarter Sessions; to validate certain judicial acts of persons heretofore so appointed; to amend the District Courts Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith. [Assented to, 30th November, 1932.]

BE it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the "District Courts (Further Validation and Amendment) Act, 1932."

Amendment of Act No. 23, 1912. New s. 19A. Acting judges. 2. The District Courts Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts, is further amended by inserting next after section nineteen the following new section:—

19a. The Governor may issue a special commission to any person qualified to be appointed a judge of

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the district courts under this Act, appointing him to sit and act as a judge of every district court and chairman of every court of quarter sessions in New South Wales, but to exercise such jurisdiction only in the courts of the district specified in the commission for a time not exceeding in any case six months, to be specified in like manner.

A person so appointed shall in the district and for the time specified in such commission have all the powers, authorities, privileges and immunities, and fulfil all the duties of a judge of a district court under this Act, and during the time specified in the commission shall be deemed a district court judge within the meaning of this or any other Act.

- 3. (1) No judgment, order, sentence or other judicial validation act given, made, pronounced, or done before the commencement of this Act by any person appointed by the Governor to act as a district court judge or chairman of quarter sessions for a period specified in his commission shall be deemed invalid merely on the ground that no power lay in the Governor to appoint such person otherwise than during ability and good behaviour or as the deputy of any district court judge during his illness or absence.
- (2) Where prior to the commencement of this Act any person was appointed by the Governor to act as a district court judge or chairman of quarter sessions for a period which has not expired at such commencement, the provisions of subsection one of this section shall extend to judgments, orders, sentences, and other judicial acts given, made, pronounced, or done after the said commencement and during such period.

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