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BICKHAM ESCOTT,

High Commissioner.



No. IV. of 1915.

KING'S REGULATION

TO AMEND THE SOLOMONS LAND REGULATION, 1914.

Made by His Britannic Majesty's High Commissioner for the Western Pacific under the provisions of the Pacific Order in Council, 1893.

In the name of His Majesty, George the Fifth, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

1. This Regulation may be cited as the Solomons Land (Amend- Short title.
ment) Regulation, 1915, and shall be read and construed as one
with, and forming part of, the Solomons Land Regulation, 1914,
hereinafter referred to as the principal Regulation.

2. In the principal Regulation the word "company" shall be Defines "company"
read as meaning an incorporated company and as including any in Regulation No.
corporation. III of 1914.

Amends section 14 of Regulation No. III of 1914.

3. Section fourteen of the principal Regulation is hereby amended and shall be read as if for the word "tenth" therein the word "twelfth" were substituted.

Amends section 16 of Regulation No. III of 1914.

4. Section sixteen of the principal Regulation is hereby amended and shall be read as if for the word "seventeenth" in paragraph (e) thereof the word "eighteenth" were substituted.

Repeals subsection 5 of section 21 of Regulation No. III of 1914 and substitutes subsection.

5. Subsection five of section twenty-one of the principal Regulation is hereby repealed and the following subsection substituted therefor:—

"(5) A lessee paying rent for the first year of the term of his lease together with an additional sum in respect of the period intervening between the date of his lease and the date of the commencement of the term proportionate to the amount of such first year's rent may be permitted by the Commissioner to enter forthwith into possession of the land comprised in his lease. A lessee so permitted shall, in respect of the period intervening as aforesaid, be deemed to be holding such land under and subject to the provisions of this Regulation and of his said lease."

Power of Commissioner to retain 10 per cent. per annum of rent payable on native lands.

6. The principal Regulation is hereby amended by the addition thereto, between sections twenty-three and twenty-four thereof, of the following section:—

"23A. It shall be lawful for the Commissioner, from time to time, in respect of any lease of native land made by him, acting on behalf of the native owners thereof, and entered into after the date of the coming into operation of this Regulation, to retain, for the use of the Protectorate Government, a sum of money, the equivalent of ten per centum per annum, out of the rent payable under the said lease to him, the said Commissioner, acting as aforesaid."

Amends forms in Schedule to Regulation No. III of 1914.

7. The several forms given in the Schedule to the principal Regulation are hereby amended and shall be read as if for the words "Solomons Land Regulation, 1911," appearing in each of the said forms the words "Solomons Land Regulation, 1914," were substituted.

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By Command,

A. L. AYTON,
Acting Secretary to His Britannic Majesty's High Commissioner
for the Western Pacific.

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