

Government Railways Amendment Act 1973

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An Act to amend the Government Railways Act 1949

BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Short Title

This Act may be cited as the Government Railways Amendment Act 1973, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Government Railways Act 1949 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).

2 Conversion to metric system

- (1) The principal Act is hereby amended—
- (a) By omitting from the definition of the expression “railway line” in section 2 (which definition was inserted by section 3(2) of the Government Railways Amendment Act 1956) the words “eight feet”, and substituting the words “3 metres”:
 - (b) By omitting from subsection (1) of section 61 the words “thirty-three feet”, and substituting the words “10 metres”:
 - (c) By omitting from subsection (2) of section 64 (as substituted by section 3 of the Government Railways Amendment Act 1967 and amended by

section 8 of the Government Railways Amendment Act (No. 2) 1971) the words “not exceeding 30 miles an hour”, and substituting the words “not exceeding 50 kilometres an hour”:

- (d) By omitting from paragraph (b) of subsection (2a) of section 64 (as inserted by section 3 of the Government Railways Amendment Act 1967) the words “one hundred yards”, and substituting the words “100 metres”:
 - (e) By omitting from paragraph (b) of subsection (2a) (as so inserted) the words “fifteen miles”, and substituting the words “30 kilometres”:
 - (f) By omitting from paragraph (a) of section 66 the words “five chains”, and substituting the words “100 metres”:
 - (g) By omitting from paragraph (b) of section 93 the words “twenty miles”, and substituting the words “30 kilometres”.
- (2) Section 2 of the Government Railways Amendment Act 1956 is hereby amended by omitting from subsection (1) the words “half a mile”, and substituting the words “800 metres”.
- (3) Section 8 of the Government Railways Amendment Act (No. 2) 1971 is hereby consequentially repealed.

This Act is administered in the New Zealand Government Railway Department.