

PAPUA.



No. 9 of 1934.

AN ORDINANCE

To Amend the Law Relating to Mining.

[RESERVED 12TH JULY, 1934;
ASSENTED TO 27TH AUGUST, 1934.]^(a)

BE it ordained by the Legislative Council for the Territory of Papua, in pursuance of the powers conferred by the *Papua Act, 1905-1924*, as follows:—

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the *Mining* Short title.
(Facilities for Development) Ordinance, 1934, and shall be read with *The Mining Act of 1898* (Queensland Adopted) and other Ordinances relating to mining for gold and other minerals.

2. The Lieutenant-Governor may by Proclamation reserve any Crown land from occupation under the Ordinances relating to mining and may authorize any person to occupy temporarily the whole or any part of such reserve on such terms and conditions as he may think fit. Such conditions may include the expenditure

Reservation of Crown land for occupation by particular persons for prospecting or mining and the conditions of occupation.

(a) Assent notified in *Gazette* No. 10 of 1st September, 1934.

Mining (Facilities for Development) Ordinance, 1934.

of a certain sum of money yearly in the prospecting or development by mining of the land so occupied and the deposit with the Government of a sum of money to be held as security for the due performance of such terms and conditions. Interest shall not be paid by the Government on the money so deposited.

Reservation or occupation not to affect existing rights.

3. Neither the reservation nor the temporary occupation shall affect mining rights or tenements already existing.

Persons may enter reserve for the purpose of prospecting or mining under certain conditions.

4. The Proclamation of a reserve shall not affect the right of any person to enter the reserve for the purpose of prospecting or mining within the reserve but no lease or other mining tenement shall be taken up by or granted to any person after the Proclamation of the reserve except upon condition that the applicant shall allow the temporary occupant of the reserve the priority of acquiring the same on terms not more onerous than those upon which he would be prepared to offer it to others. Breach of this condition shall render the lease or other tenement liable to forfeiture.

Passed in Council this twelfth day of July, in the year of Our Lord One thousand nine hundred and thirty-four.

Assented to by His Excellency the Governor-General, with the advice of the Executive Council of the Commonwealth of Australia, on the twenty-seventh day of August, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-four.