

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY.

No. 1 of 1943.

AN ORDINANCE

To amend the Careless Use of Fire Ordinance 1936-1942.

BE it ordained by the Governor-General in and over the Commonwealth of Australia, with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, in pursuance of the powers conferred by the *Seat of Government Acceptance Act 1909-1938* and the *Seat of Government (Administration) Act 1910-1940*, as follows:—

1.—(1.) This Ordinance may be cited as the *Careless Use of Fire Ordinance 1943*.^{*} Short title and citation.

(2.) The *Careless Use of Fire Ordinance 1936-1942* is in this Ordinance referred to as the Principal Ordinance.

(3.) The Principal Ordinance, as amended by this Ordinance, may be cited as the *Careless Use of Fire Ordinance 1936-1943*.

2. Section six of the Principal Ordinance is amended by inserting, after the word “material”, the words “, or remove any live coal, hot ashes or other burning material from any motor vehicle which carries equipment for generating producer gas,”. Penalty for setting fire to growing crops, &c.

3. Section ten of the Principal Ordinance is amended—

(a) by inserting in sub-section (2.), after the word “burns”, the words “or causes or permits to be burnt”; and Lighting fires for burning off purposes.

(b) by inserting in that sub-section, after the word “land” (second occurring), the words “, and any person, whether authorized by the owner or not, who burns any inflammable material on any such land.”.

4. After section ten of the Principal Ordinance the following sections are inserted:—

“10A. During the period commencing on the first day of November in any year and ending on the last day of February in the following year, the owner of any land outside the City area or, in his absence, any person employed by him on that land, shall, immediately he becomes aware of an outbreak of fire on that land or on any unleased land the property of the Commonwealth Fires to be notified.

^{*} Notified in the *Commonwealth Gazette* on 14th January, 1943.

adjacent thereto, notify the Chief Fire Control Officer thereof, and shall, if the outbreak is on the first-mentioned land, use all means in his power to extinguish that outbreak.

Penalty: Fifty pounds or imprisonment for three months.

Discharge of
live coals from
motor vehicles
fitted with gas
producer
equipment.

"10B.—(1.) A person shall not on any street, road, lane or thoroughfare or on any other land, discharge from any motor vehicle any live coals, hot ashes or other burning material from which fire or sparks may be emitted except into water or a fireplace or a hole below the level of the surrounding ground capable of readily and completely receiving the live coals, hot ashes or burning material.

"(2.) A person so discharging live coals, hot ashes or burning material into any such fireplace or hole in the ground shall forthwith so saturate with water the matter discharged as to extinguish wholly any fire or sparks.

Penalty: Fifty pounds or imprisonment for three months."

Dated this twelfth day of January, 1943.

GOWRIE

Governor-General.

By His Excellency's Command,

J. S. COLLINGS

Minister of State for the Interior.

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