



CHAPTER 59.

An Act to make provision for determining the date of the termination of the present war, and for purposes connected therewith. A.D. 1918.
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[21st November 1918.]

BE it enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows :

1.—(1) His Majesty in Council may declare what date is to be treated as the date of the termination of the present war, and the present war shall be treated as having continued to, and as having ended on that date for the purposes of any provision in any Act of Parliament, Order in Council, or Proclamation, and, except where the context otherwise requires, of any provision in any contract, deed, or other instrument referring, expressly or impliedly, and in whatever form of words, to the present war or the present hostilities : Power to
determine date
of termination
of the present
war.

Provided that in the case of any such Act conferring powers on any Government Department, or any officer of any Government Department, exercisable during the continuance of the present war, if it appears to His Majesty that it is expedient that the powers shall cease before the date so fixed as aforesaid, His Majesty in Council may fix some earlier date for the termination of those powers.

(2) The date so declared shall be as nearly as may be the date of the exchange or deposit of ratifications of the treaty or treaties of peace :

Provided that, notwithstanding anything in this provision, the date declared as aforesaid shall be conclusive for all purposes of this Act.

[C.H. 59.] *Termination of the Present War* [8 & 9 GEO. 5.]
(*Definition*) Act, 1918.

A.D. 1918. (3) His Majesty in Council may also similarly declare what
date is to be treated as the date of the termination of war
between His Majesty and any particular State.

Short title 2. This Act may be cited as the Termination of the Present
War (Definition) Act, 1918.

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