

Coal Act 1938

1938 CHAPTER 52

PART I

UNIFICATION OF COAL MINING ROYALTIES

Provisions supplemental to, and consequential on, unification

22 Amendments of working facilities enactments

(1) Section one of the Mines (Working Facilities and Support) Act, 1923, and subsection (1) of section thirteen of the Mining Industry Act, 1926 (which relate to the granting by the Railway and Canal Commission of rights to search for or work minerals), shall, on the vesting date, cease to have effect as respects coal within the meaning of this Part of this Act:

Provided that-

- (a) this subsection shall not apply to the granting of a right required by reason of the subsistence of a retained copyhold interest; and
- (b) this subsection shall not affect the power conferred on the Railway and Canal Commission by section eighteen of the Railway and Canal Traffic Act, 1888, to review and rescind or vary a working facilities order subsisting on the vesting date.
- (2) No order shall be made under section two of the Mines (Working Facilities and Support) Act, 1923 (which relates to the granting of rights in the case of a failure or refusal of lessors of mines to concur in an adjustment of boundaries) on the ground of any failure or refusal on the part of the Commission.
- (3) To the rights specified in paragraphs (a) to (e) of subsection (2) of section three of the Mines (Working Facilities and Support) Act, 1923 (which specifies certain ancillary rights that may be conferred where required in order that minerals may be properly and conveniently worked) there shall be added the following right, so far as it may be required in order that coal within the meaning of this Part of this Act may be properly and conveniently worked, that is to say—

- "(f) In a case in which the surface has been used for the erection of any works for a coalmining purpose within the meaning of Part I of the Coal Act, 1938, or of dwellings for persons employed in connection with the working of coal within the meaning of that Part of that Act, or with any such works as aforesaid or as are mentioned in paragraph (c) of this subsection, a right to use and occupy the works or dwellings for the purposes for which they were erected."
- (4) Where such a right as is specified in the last preceding subsection is to be granted on the termination of a lease, and a right to erect or use the works or dwellings was comprised in that lease, the Railway and Canal Commission, in determining whether any compensation or consideration is to be paid or given in respect of the right to be granted by them and the amount thereof, if any, shall have regard to the fact that the right comprised in the lease was therein comprised and to the amount of any rent reserved by the lease in respect thereof.
- (5) In subsection (2) of section ten of the Mines (Working Facilities and Support) Act, 1923, there shall be inserted, after the words " The Board of Trade and any other Government Department ", the words " and the Coal Commission ".
- (6) Any right which under the Mines (Working Facilities and Support) Act, 1923, or under section thirteen of the Mining Industry Act, 1926, may be granted to a person having the right to work coal may be granted to the Commission where required by them for the purpose of searching and boring for coal.