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An Act to make Provision with respect to the Exploration and
Exploitation of the Mineral Resources of the Sea Bed and the
Subsoil in certain Waters within and beyond the Territorial
Limits of Victoria, and for other purposes.

**BE IT ENACTED by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty by
and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council
and the Legislative Assembly of Victoria in this present
Parliament assembled and by the authority of the same as
follows (that is to say):**

1 Short title

This Act may be cited as the **Underseas Mineral
Resources Act 1963**.

**2 Application of Mines Act to certain submarine
mineral resources**

- (1) For the purpose of encouraging the exploration and exploitation of the mineral resources of the sea bed and its subsoil it is hereby declared that the provisions of the **Mineral Resources (Sustainable Development) Act 1990** extend and apply and shall be deemed to have always extended and applied to the sea bed and its subsoil within the territorial limits of Victoria and to those parts of the sea bed and its subsoil of the submarine areas outside such territorial limits to which the jurisdiction and legislative power of the State of Victoria extends in the same manner and to the same extent as if such sea bed and subsoil were land within Victoria.

S. 2(1)
amended by
Nos 7591
s. 2(Sch. 1
item 2),
92/1990
s. 128(Sch. 1
item 31),
63/2006
s. 61(Sch.
item 31).

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s. 2

S. 2(2)
amended by
Nos 7591
s. 2(Sch. 1
item 2),
92/1990
s. 128(Sch. 1
item 31),
63/2006
s. 61(Sch.
item 31).

(2) In the application of the said **Mineral Resources (Sustainable Development) Act 1990** gold silver uranium thorium and other minerals found on or in such sea bed or subsoil shall be deemed to be the property of the Crown.

S. 2(3)
amended by
Nos 7591
s. 2(Sch. 1
item 2),
92/1990
s. 128(Sch. 1
item 31),
63/2006
s. 61(Sch.
item 31).

(3) It is hereby declared that the power to make regulations or by-laws conferred upon the Governor in Council by the **Mineral Resources (Sustainable Development) Act 1990** shall extend and apply and shall be deemed to have always extended and applied to the making of regulations or by-laws of general application or of a specially limited application for or with respect to the exploration and exploitation of the mineral resources of such sea bed and its subsoil.

ENDNOTES

1. General Information

The **Underseas Mineral Resources Act 1963** was assented to on 10 December 1963 and came into operation on 10 December 1963.

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Endnotes

2. Table of Amendments

This Version incorporates amendments made to the **Underseas Mineral Resources Act 1963** by Acts and subordinate instruments.

Petroleum (Submerged Lands) Act 1967, No. 7591/1967

Assent Date: 28.11.67
Commencement Date: 1.4.68: Government Gazette 27.3.68 p. 848
Current State: All of Act in operation

Mineral Resources Development Act 1990, No. 92/1990

Assent Date: 18.12.90
Commencement Date: S. 128(Sch. 1 item 31) on 6.11.91: Government Gazette 30.10.91 p. 2970
Current State: This information relates only to the provision/s amending the **Underseas Mineral Resources Act 1963**

Mineral Resources Development (Sustainable Development) Act 2006, No. 63/2006

Assent Date: 29.8.06
Commencement Date: S. 61(Sch. item 31) on 30.8.06: s. 2(1)
Current State: This information relates only to the provision/s amending the **Underseas Mineral Resources Act 1963**

3. Explanatory Details

No entries at date of publication.