

Finance (1909-10) Act 1910

1910 CHAPTER 8

PART I

DUTIES ON LAND VALUES.

Appeals.

33 Appeals to referees.

(1) Except as expressly provided in this Part of this Act, any person aggrieved may appeal within such time and in such manner as may be provided by rules made under this section against the first or any subsequent determination by the Commissioners of the total value or site value of any land ; or against the amount of any assessment of duty under this Part of this Act; or against a refusal of the Commissioners to make any allowance or 'to make the allowance claimed, where the Commissioners have power to make such "an allowance under this Part of the Act; or against any apportionment of the value of land or of duty or any assessment or apportionment of the consideration on any transfer or lease made by the Commissioners under this Part of this Act; or against the determination of any other matter which the Commissioners are to determine or may determine under this Part of this Act:

Provided that-

- (a) an appeal shall not lie against a provisional valuation made by the Commissioners of the total or site value of any land except on the part of a person who has made an objection to the provisional valuation in accordance with this Act; and
- (b) the original total value and the original site value and the site value as ascertained under any subsequent valuation shall be questioned only by means of an appeal against the determination by the Commissioners of that value where there is an appeal under this Act, and shall not be questioned in any case on an appeal against an assessment of duty.
- (2) An appeal under this section shall be referred to such one of the panel of referees appointed under this Part of this Act as may be selected in manner provided by rules

under this section, and the decision of the referee to whom the matter is so referred shall be given in the form provided by rules under this section and shall, subject to appeal to the Court under this section, be final.

(3) The referee shall determine any matter referred to him in consultation with the Commissioners and the appellant, or any persons nominated by the Commissioners and the appellant respectively for this purpose, and may, if he thinks fit, order that any expenses incurred by the appellant be paid by the Commissioners, and that any such expenses incurred by the Commissioners be paid by the appellant.

Any order of the referee as to expenses may be made a rule of the High Court.

(4) Any person aggrieved by the decision of the referee may appeal against the decision to the High Court within the time and in the manner and on the conditions directed by Rules of Court (including conditions enabling the Court to require the payment of or the giving of security for any duty claimed); and subsections two, three, and four of section ten of the Finance Act, 1894, shall apply with reference to any such appeal:

Provided that where the total or site value as alleged by the Commissioners of the property in respect of which the dispute arises does not exceed five hundred pounds, the appeal under this section may be to the county court for the county or place in which the appellant resides or the property is situate, and this section shall for the purpose of the appeal apply as if such county court were the High Court, and in every such case any party shall have a right of appeal to the Court of Appeal.

(5) Provision shall be made by rules under this section with respect to the time within which and the manner in which an appeal may be made to a referee under this section, and with respect to the mode in which the referee to whom any reference is to be made is to be selected, and with respect to the form in which any decision of a referee is to be given, and with respect to any other matter for which it appears necessary or expedient to provide in order to carry this section into effect.

Those rates shall be made by the Reference Committee, subject to the approval of the Treasury.

The Reference Committee for England shall consist of the Lord Chief Justice of England, the Master of the Rolls, and the President of the Surveyors' Institution.

The Reference Committee for Scotland shall consist of the Lord President of the Court of Session, the Lord Justice Clerk, and the Chairman of the Scottish Committee of the Surveyors' Institution.

The Reference Committee for Ireland shall consist of the Lord Chief Justice of Ireland, the Master of the Rolls in Ireland, and the President of the Surveyors' Institution.

The President of the Surveyors' Institution may, if he thinks fit, appoint any person, being a member of the council of that institution and having special knowledge of valuation in Ireland, to act in his place as a member of the Reference Committee in Ireland.

34 Appointment of referees to hear appeals.

(1) Such number of persons, being persons who have been admitted Fellows of the Surveyors' Institution, or other persons having experience in the valuation of land as may be appointed for England, Scotland, and Ireland, respectively, by the Reference Committee, shall form a panel of persons to act as referees for the purposes of this Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

Part of this Act in England, Scotland, and Ireland, respectively, and persons having experience in the valuation of minerals shall be included in each panel.

(2) There shall, be paid out of moneys provided by Parliament to every referee appointed under this section such fees or remuneration as the Treasury direct.