



Mining Industry Act 1920

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PART III

GENERAL

22 Power to hold inquiries.

- (1) The Board of Trade may hold such inquiries as they consider necessary or desirable for the purposes of this Act, and the Board of Trade and, if authorised by the Board of Trade, the person appointed to hold any such inquiry, may, by order, require any person, subject to the payment or tender of the reasonable expenses of his attendance, to attend as a witness and give evidence, or to produce any documents in his possession or power which relate to any matter in question at the inquiry, and are such as would be subject to production in a court of law, and, if any person fails without reasonable excuse to comply with any of the provisions of any such order, he shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding [^{F1}£25], and the person holding the inquiry shall have power to take evidence on oath and for that purpose to administer oaths.
- (2) Notices of inquiries may be given and published in accordance with such general or special directions as the Board of Trade may give.
- (3) The powers of the Board of Trade under this section shall be in addition to and not in derogation of any powers of holding inquiries transferred to the Board from any other Government department under this Act.

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words substituted (S.) by virtue of [Criminal Procedure \(Scotland\) Act 1975 \(c. 21\), s. 289C\(4\)\(5\)\(8\)](#) and (E.W.) [Criminal Law Act 1977 \(c. 45\), s. 31\(5\)\(6\)\(9\)](#)

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Mining Industry Act 1920, Section 22.