



Geothermal Energy Act 1953

- Citation:** No 102
- Date of Assent:** 26 November, 1953
- Commencement:** Date of Assent
- Repeal:** Repealed 1992, No 96
- Amendments:** 1957, No 51: s2 amends s9.
 1966, No 50: s2 inserts new s3A – right of local authorities to use geothermal energy.
 s3 inserts new s9A – delegation of power to grant licenses.
 s4 amends s10 – rental payable for use of geothermal energy.
 1969, No 79: Minor amendment to definition of geothermal energy.
 1973, No 64.
 1977, No 33.
 1977, No 89.
 1980, No 113.
 1988, No 62.
 1991, No 69: See separate record.
 Repeals most sections of Act.
- Type of Legislation:** Public
- Subject:** Other Resource Issues
- Relevant Sections:** s3: The sole right to tap, take, use and apply geothermal energy on or under the land shall vest in the Crown. Whether land has been alienated from the Crown or not.
 s7: General power to take land under the Public Works Act.
 s8: Special power to take land required for certain industrial undertakings.
 s13: Compensation may be payable for injury or damage to land.
 s14: No compensation payable in respect of geothermal energy.
- Commentary:** Makes provision for the control of the tapping and use of geothermal energy and for vesting all such energy in the Crown.
- Cross Reference:** –