



NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

No. 56 of 1988

AN ACT

to amend the *Local Government Grants Commission Act*

[Assented to 17 November 1988]

BE it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Northern Territory of Australia, with the assent as provided by the *Northern Territory (Self-Government) Act 1978* of the Commonwealth, as follows:

1. SHORT TITLE

This Act may be cited as the *Local Government Grants Commission Amendment Act 1988*.

2. COMMENCEMENT

This Act shall come into operation on 1 December 1988.

3. PRINCIPAL ACT

The *Local Government Grants Commission Act* is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

4. REPEAL AND SUBSTITUTION

Section 5 of the Principal Act is repealed and the following substituted:

"5. COMPOSITION OF COMMISSION AND APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS

"(1) The Commission shall consist of 4 members, of whom -

(a) subject to subsection (2), 3 shall be appointed by the Minister; and

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- (b) one shall be an employee, within the meaning of the *Public Service Act*, for the time being having the local designation of Director of the Office of Local Government.

"(2) Of the members appointed under subsection (1)(a) -

- (a) one shall be a person who, in the opinion of the Minister, is capable of representing the interests of councils; and
- (b) one shall be a person who, in the opinion of the Minister, is capable of representing the interests of community government councils.

"(3) The Minister shall, before making an appointment under subsection (2), request the Northern Territory Local Government Association to nominate 3 persons from whom may be appointed a member to represent the interests of councils and the Northern Territory Community Government Association to nominate 3 persons from whom may be appointed a member to represent the interests of community government councils.

"(4) Nominations under subsection (3) shall be made to the Minister on or before a date specified by him."

5. APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MEMBERS

Section 9(3) of the Principal Act is amended -

- (a) by omitting "or (c)"; and
- (b) by omitting "the Department of which the member is the Departmental Head" and substituting "that part of the Public Service known as the Office of Local Government of which the member is the Director".

6. QUORUM

Section 11(4) of the Principal Act is amended by omitting "3" and substituting "2".
