

THE NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

No. 128 of 1979

AN ACT

To revise and correct the law of the
Territory in minor respects

[Assented to 15 October 1979]

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. This Act may be cited as the Statute Law Revision Act (No. 2) 1979.

Short title

2. Section 28 of the Associations Incorporation Act is amended by omitting from paragraphs (a) and (e) "association" and substituting "associations".

Associations
Incorporation
Act

3. Section 7 of the Building Act is amended by omitting "Administrator in Council" and substituting "Administrator".

Building Act

4. Section 6(1) of the Cemeteries Act is amended by omitting "Administrator in Council" and substituting "Administrator".

Cemeteries
Act

5.(1) Section 4 of the Child Welfare Act is repealed.

Child Welfare
Act

(2) Section 6(1) of the Child Welfare Act is amended by omitting all words after and including "who".

(3) Section 6 of the Child Welfare Act is amended by inserting at the end thereof the following sub-section:

"(4) The Director is, in the performance of his duties and functions and the exercise of his powers under this Act, subject to the direction and control of the Minister."

6.(1) Section 3 of the Companies Act is repealed.

Companies
Act

(2) Section 23 of the Companies Act 1972 is amended by omitting from sub-section (2) "as amended by section 14 of the Ordinance" and substituting "as inserted into the Principal Act by section 15 of this Act".

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(3) The amendment effected by sub-section (2) shall be deemed to have taken effect on the day on which section 23 of the Companies Act 1972 came into operation.

Construction
Safety Act

7.(1) Section 4 of the Construction Safety Act is amended by inserting before the definition of "compressed air work" the following definition:

"'Chief Inspector' means the person appointed as Chief Inspector of Construction Safety under section 7(1);".

(2) Section 7 of the Construction Safety Act is amended by omitting sub-section (1) and substituting the following sub-sections:

"7.(1) The Minister may appoint a person to be Chief Inspector of Construction Safety.

"(1A) The Chief Inspector is, in the performance of his duties and functions and the exercise of his powers under this Act, subject to the direction and control of the Minister."

(3) A person appointed to be Chief Inspector of Construction Safety under the Construction Safety Act as in force immediately before the commencement of this section continues to hold that office, notwithstanding sub-section (2).

Co-operative
Trading So-
cieties (Loan
Guarantee) Act

8. The long title of the Co-operative Trading Societies (Loans Guarantee) Act and sections 4, 14 and 15 of that Act are amended by omitting "Commonwealth" and substituting "Territory".

Crown Lands
Act

9. The Crown Lands Act is amended by omitting the heading "PART IIIA - LEASES OF LAND IN ABORIGINAL RESERVES".

Defamation
Act

10. Section 6 of the Defamation Act is amended by omitting sub-section (1)(ba) and substituting the following paragraph:

"(ba) a meeting of the Legislative Assembly or of a committee of that Assembly;".

Explosives
Act

11.(1) Section 4 of the Explosives Act is amended by omitting "Commonwealth" and substituting "Territory".

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- (2) Section 5 of the Explosives Act is repealed.
- 12.(1) Section 4 of the Fisheries Act is repealed. Fisheries Act
- (2) Section 6 of the Fisheries Act is amended -
- (a) by omitting from sub-section (1) all words after and including "who shall"; and
- (b) by inserting after sub-section (1) the following sub-section:
- "(1A) The Chief Inspector is, in the performance of his duties and functions and the exercise of his powers, subject to the direction and control of the Minister."
13. Section 16 of the Foot and Mouth Disease Compensation Act is amended by omitting "Administrator in Council" and substituting "Administrator". Foot and Mouth Disease Compensation Act
14. Sections 5(1), 6(1), (2), 6A(1), (2) and (3) of the Holidays Act are amended by omitting "Administrator in Council" (wherever occurring) and substituting "Administrator". Holidays Act
15. Section 15 of the Hospital Advisory Boards Act is amended by - Hospital Advisory Boards Act
- (a) omitting "Legislative Council" and substituting "Legislative Assembly"; and
- (b) omitting "Council" and substituting "Assembly".
16. Section 4A of the Inquiries Act is amended - Inquiries Act
- (a) by omitting from sub-section (1) "Administrator in Council" and substituting "Administrator"; and
- (b) by omitting from sub-section (1) and (4) "Legislative Council" (wherever occurring) and substituting "Legislative Assembly".
17. Section 6(1) of the Local Government Act is amended by omitting "all of any of his powers" and substituting "all or any of his powers". Local Government Act
- 18.(1) Section 6 of the Marine Act is amended - Marine Act
- (a) by omitting "Government Secretary or by an officer directed by the Administrator to exercise or perform them" and substituting "the

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person for the time being who is the Departmental Head within the meaning of the Public Service Act of a Department administered by the Minister"; and

- (b) by omitting "Government Secretary or officer, as the case requires," and substituting "that person".

(2) Section 7 of the Marine Act is amended by omitting "Administrator in Council" and substituting "Administrator".

Marine Board
and Navigation
Act

19. Section 5 of the Marine Board and Navigation Act of the State of South Australia, in its application to the Territory, is repealed.

Medical Practitioners
Registration Act

20.(1) Section 4 of the Medical Practitioners Registration Act is repealed.

(2) Section 6 of the Medical Practitioners Registration Act is amended by omitting sub-section (1) and substituting the following sub-section:

"6.(1) For the purposes of this Act, there shall be a Medical Board."

(3) A person appointed to be a member of the Medical Board in pursuance of the Medical Practitioners Registration Act as in force immediately before the commencement of this section continues to hold office as a member of the Board notwithstanding sub-section (1).

Mines Safety
Control Act

21. Section 4 of the Mines Safety Control Act is amended by omitting the definition of "Officer" and substituting the following definition:

"'Officer' means a person who is -

- (a) an employee within the meaning of the Public Service Act; or
- (b) an officer of the Public Service of the Commonwealth;"

Mining Assistance
Act

22.(1) Section 4 of the Mining Assistance Act is repealed.

(2) Section 30 of the Mining Assistance Act is amended by omitting "Administrator in Council" and substituting "Administrator".

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- 23.(1) Section 4 of the Pharmacy Act is repealed. Pharmacy Act
- (2) Section 5 of the Pharmacy Act is amended by omitting the definition of "the Minister".
- (3) Section 6(1) of the Pharmacy Act is amended by omitting all words after and including ", which shall be".
- 24.(1) Section 6(2), (4)(a), (5), (7) and (8)(b) of the Ports Act is amended by omitting "Administrator in Council" and substituting "Administrator". Ports Act
- (2) A person appointed to be a member, the Chairman or the Deputy Chairman of the Port Authority or, the General Manager under the Ports Act as in force immediately before the commencement of this section continues to hold the office to which he was so appointed notwithstanding sub-section (1).
25. Section 25 of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act is amended by omitting "Administrator in Council" and substituting "Administrator". Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act
- 26.(1) Section 5 of the Prices Regulation Act is repealed. Price Regulation Act
- (2) Section 65 of the Prices Regulation Act is amended by omitting "Administrator in Council" and substituting "Administrator".
27. Section 5 of the Public Health Act is amended by omitting sub-section (2) and substituting the following sub-section: Public Health Act
- "(2) The Chief Medical Officer is, in the performance of his duties and functions and the exercise of his powers under this Act, subject to the direction and control of the Minister."
28. Section 6 of the Radiation (Safety Control) Act is repealed and the following section substituted: Radiation (Safety Control) Act
- "6. The Chief Medical Officer is, in the performance of his duties and functions and the exercise of his powers under this Act, subject to the direction and control of the Minister."
- 29.(1) Section 3 of the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages Act is repealed. Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages Act
- (2) Section 7 of the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages Act is amended by omitting sub-section (2)(a).

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Social Welfare Act

30.(1) Section 8 of the Social Welfare Act is amended by omitting sub-section (1) and substituting the following sub-sections:

"(1) The Minister may appoint a person to be Director of Social Welfare.

"(1A) The Director of Social Welfare is, in the performance of his duties and functions and the exercise of his powers under this Act, subject to the direction and control of the Minister."

(2) The person appointed to be Director of Social Welfare under the Social Welfare Act as in force immediately before the commencement of this Act continues in office as the Director of Social Welfare notwithstanding sub-section (1).

(3) Section 17 of the Social Welfare Act is amended by omitting from sub-sections (3)(f) and (fa) "Legislative Council for the Northern Territory" and substituting "Legislative Assembly".

Status of Children Act

31. Section 10(1) of the Status of Children Act is amended by omitting "in the prescribed manner and".

Stock Diseases Act

32.(1) Section 3 of the Stock Diseases Act is repealed.

(2) Section 9 of the Stock Diseases Act is amended by omitting sub-section (1) and substituting the following sub-section:

"(1) The Chief Inspector is, in the exercise of his powers and the performance of his duties and functions under this Act, subject to the direction and control of the Minister."

Stock Routes and Travelling Stock Act

33.(1) Section 3 of the Stock Routes and Travelling Stock Act is repealed.

(2) Section 6 of the Stock Routes and Travelling Stock Act is amended by omitting sub-section (1) and substituting the following sub-section:

"(1) The Chief Inspector is, in the exercise of his powers and the performance of his duties and functions under this Act, subject to the direction and control of the Minister."

Supply of Services Act

34. Section 7 of the Supply of Services Act is amended by omitting "Administrator in Council" (twice occurring) and substituting "Administrator".

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35. Section 4 of the Trade Union Act is amended by omitting all words after and including "and until such appointment".

Trade Union Act

36. The Schedule to the Venereal Diseases Act is amended by omitting from Forms A, B and D "Chief Health Officer" and substituting "Chief Medical Officer".

Venereal Diseases Act

37. The sections of the Acts specified in the Schedule are repealed.

Schedule

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