

THE NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

No. 38 of 1980

AN ACT

To amend the Local Government Act

[Assented to 23 May 1980]

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 Act (No. 2) 1980.

2. PRINCIPAL ACT

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

3. INTERPRETATION

Section 5 of the Principal Act is amended -

(a) by inserting after the definition of "officer" the following definition:

"'ordinary election' means an election required by section 49 to be held;"; and

(b) by omitting the definition of "3 yearly election".

4. REPEAL AND SUBSTITUTION OF SECTION 49

Section 49 of the Principal Act is repealed and the following section substituted:

"49. ORDINARY ELECTIONS

"(1) Subject to this section, an election for each municipality shall be held on the last Saturday in the month of May occurring in the period of 12 months after the third anniversary of -

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(a) the date upon which the constitution of the municipality came into effect; or

(b) the date of the last ordinary election,

as the case may be.

"(2) The 2 ordinary elections for -

(a) the City of Darwin; and

(b) the Municipalities of Katherine and Tennant Creek,

next occurring after the commencement of the Local Government Act 1980 shall be held on the last Saturday in May 1981 and the last Saturday in May 1984."

5. REPEAL AND SUBSTITUTION OF SECTION 87 OF THE PRINCIPAL ACT

Section 87 of the Principal Act is repealed and the following section substituted -

"87. NOMINATION DAY

"Nomination day shall be the twenty-eighth day before polling day."

6. CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS

The sections of the Principal Act specified in Column 1 of the Schedule are amended by omitting the words specified opposite thereto in Column 2 of the Schedule and substituting the words, if any, specified opposite thereto in Column 3 of the Schedule.

7. SPECIAL PROVISION FOR ALICE SPRINGS

The repeal effected by section 4 does not affect the election for the Municipality of Alice Springs to be held in 1980.

SCHEDULE

Section

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Section	Words omitted	Words substituted
5 - definition of "polling day"	3 yearly election	ordinary election

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Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
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50	3 yearly election	ordinary election
52(1)	3 yearly election	ordinary election
52(2)	3 yearly election	ordinary election
52(3)	2 years	3 years
	3 yearly election (wherever occurring)	ordinary election
88	a 3 yearly election	an ordinary election
94(c)	the day fixed by or under this Ordinance to be polling day	the polling day
(d)	the day fixed by or under this Ordinance to be polling day	the polling day
108(2)	a 3 yearly election	an ordinary election
109(1)(a)	3 yearly election	ordinary election
109(1)(b)	day appointed under this Ordinance as	-
111	a 3 yearly election	an ordinary election
119	3 yearly election	ordinary election