

NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

A BILL for AN ACT

to amend the *Electoral Act* to allow a reasonable time for Territorians to make a claim for enrolment

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 Electoral Amendment Act 1994.

2. COMMENCEMENT

This Act shall come into operation on a date to be fixed by the Administrator by notice in the Gazette.

3. PRINCIPAL ACT

The ${\it Electoral}$ ${\it Act}$ is in this ${\it Act}$ referred to as the Principal ${\it Act}$.

4. ALTERATION OF ROLLS

Section 32 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting subsection (3) and substituting the following:

Electoral Amendment

"(3) A Divisional Returning Officer shall not alter a roll kept by him in pursuance of a claim for enrolment or transfer of enrolment which is received by him after the date and time set for the closure of rolls under section 43.".

FORM OF WRIT FOR ELECTION

Section 43(2) of the Principal Act is amended by inserting after paragraph (a) the following:

"(aa) the closure of rolls;"

6. LIMITATION OF DATES

Section 45 of the Principal Act is amended by inserting after paragraph (a) the following:

"(aa) the day for the closure of rolls shall be 7 clear days after the date of the issue of the writ;".