

STATE ELECTRICITY COMMISSION.

3° Elizabeth II., No. XXIII.

No. 23 of 1954.

**AN ACT to amend the State Electricity
Commission Act, 1945-1952.**

[Assented to 7th October, 1954.]

BE it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly of Western Australia, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

Short title
and citation.

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the *State Electricity Commission Act Amendment Act, 1954.*

(2) The State Electricity Commission Act, 1945-1952,

Act No. 60 of 1945 as amended by Acts Nos. 33 of 1948 and 4 of 1952,

is referred to in this Act as the principal Act.

(3) The principal Act as amended by this Act may be cited as the State Electricity Commission Act, 1945-1954.

2. Section eight of the principal Act is amended— S. 8
amended.

(a) by substituting for the word, “seven” appearing in line one of subsection (2) and again in line one of subsection (3), the word, “eight”;

(b) by adding after paragraph (a) of subsection (3) the following paragraph:—

(aa) one shall be a person nominated, in accordance with the provisions of subsection (3a) of this section as the representative of commercial consumers, by the Minister;

(c) by adding after the word, “nominated” in line two of paragraph (b) of subsection (3), the words, “in accordance with the provisions of subsection (3b) of this section”;

(d) by deleting the words, “by the Minister” in line two of paragraph (b) of subsection (3);

(e) by adding the words, “, by the Minister” after the word, “Commission” in line four of paragraph (b) of subsection (3);

(f) by adding after subsection (3) the following subsections:—

(3a)(a) Where the Minister intends to nominate a Commissioner mentioned in paragraph (aa) of subsection (3) of this section as representative of the commercial consumers, he shall before making the nomination, give written notice of that intention to the President of the body known as The West Australian Chamber of Manufactures (Incorporated).

(b) If within thirty days of the giving of the notice, the President of that body submits to the Minister

a panel of the names of three persons who are eligible to hold the office of Commissioner as representative of commercial consumers; and

a statement signed by the President of that body and by the Secretary of the body known as The Perth Chamber of Commerce (Incorporated), to the effect that both of those bodies concur in the submission of the three names;

the Minister shall nominate for the office of Commissioner, as representative of commercial consumers, one of the persons whose names are so submitted.

(c) If at the expiration of that period, or such extension of that period as the Minister thinks fit and is hereby authorised to grant, he has not received the panel and statement, or has received the panel and statement but none of the names submitted is that of a person who is eligible to hold office as a Commissioner, the Minister shall nominate such person as he thinks fit.

(3b) (a) Where the Minister intends to nominate a Commissioner mentioned in paragraph (b) of subsection (3) of this section as representative of the employees of the Commission, he shall, before making the nomination, give written notice of that intention to the General Secretary of the body known as the Western Australian Branch of the Australian Labor Party.

(b) If within thirty days of the giving of the notice, the General Secretary of that body signs and submits to the Minister

a panel of the names of three persons, who are eligible to hold the office of Commissioner as representative of the employees of the Commission; and

a statement that the panel has been approved by the State Executive of that body;

the Minister shall nominate for the office of Commissioner as representative of the employees of the Commission, one of the persons whose names are so submitted.

(c) If at the expiration of that period, or such extension of that period as the Minister thinks fit and is hereby authorised to grant, he has not received the panel and statement, or has received the panel and statement but none of the names submitted is that of a person who is eligible to hold office as a Commissioner, the Minister shall nominate such person as he thinks fit. ;

(g) by adding after the word, "consumers" in line two of the proviso to subsection (5), the words, "or commercial consumers"; and

(h) by adding after the word, "Minister" being the last word in the proviso to subsection (5), the words, "made in accordance with the provisions of this section applicable to the nomination".

3. Section eighteen of the principal Act is amended by substituting for the word, "four" in line one of subsection (2), the word, "five".

S. 18
amended.