

**RETURNED SERVICEMEN'S  
BADGES.**

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No. 21 of 1953.

**AN ACT relating to the unauthorised use or possession of membership badges issued by The Returned Sailors' Soldiers' and Airmen's Imperial League of Australia, W.A. Branch, Incorporated.**

[*Assented to 7th December, 1953.*]

**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.

1. This Act may be cited as the *Returned Servicemen's Badges Act, 1953.*

Interpre-  
tation.

2. In this Act, unless the context requires otherwise—

“financial member” means a member of the League who has paid and continues to pay annually the subscription required by the League to be paid by its members, and includes a member who has not paid such subscription except where such subscription remains unpaid at the expiration of a period of three months after having become due;

“the League” means The Returned Sailors' Soldiers' and Airmen's Imperial League of Australia, W.A. Branch, Incorporated;

“returned serviceman’s badge” means a badge of the kind issued by the League for the purpose of indicating that the wearer is a member of the League.

3. (1) A person who is not a financial member of the League shall not wear, or, without lawful excuse, have in his possession any returned serviceman’s badge.

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use or  
possession  
of badges.

(2) A person who contravenes any of the provisions of this section shall be guilty of an offence.

Penalty: For a first offence, a sum not exceeding ten pounds, and for a subsequent offence, a sum not exceeding twenty-five pounds.

4. Proceedings for offences against this Act shall be heard and determined summarily.

Proceedings  
for offences.

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