

**ROYAL VISIT, 1954, SPECIAL HOLIDAY.**

2° Elizabeth II., No. XXX.

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No. 30 of 1953.

**AN ACT to make provision for a special holiday in honour of the occasion of the visit to the State of Our Sovereign Lady, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Second and His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh in the year one thousand nine hundred and fifty-four.**

[Assented to 18th 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 *Royal Visit, 1954, Special Holiday Act, 1953.*

Interpre-  
tation.

2. In this Act unless the context requires otherwise—

“special holiday” means the public holiday provided pursuant to the provisions of this Act in honour of the occasion of the Royal Visit;

“Royal Visit” means the visit to this State proposed to be paid in the year one thousand nine hundred and fifty-four by Our Sovereign Lady Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Second and His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh.

Special  
holiday.

3. The special holiday shall, subject to the provisions of this Act, be observed on such day as the Governor by proclamation appoints for the purpose.

4. The Governor may appoint a specified day for the observance of the special holiday throughout the whole of the State, or may appoint for each of such of the various parts of the State as he thinks fit such specified day for the observance of the special holiday in each of those parts as in his opinion will best enable the persons in that part to observe the occasion of the Royal Visit.

Appointment  
of special  
holiday.

5. Notwithstanding that the Governor may have appointed a day for the observance of the special holiday, he may by subsequent proclamation—

Provision to  
meet a  
change in  
plans.

- (a) from time to time cancel the appointment of the day and appoint another day to be observed as the special holiday; or
- (b) cancel the appointment of the day absolutely;

in order that any change of plans for the Royal Visit may be appropriately met and the subsequent proclamation shall have effect accordingly.

6. (1) Any Act or regulation, or any award or industrial agreement for the time being in force pursuant to the provisions of the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912-1952, whether or not the Act, regulation, award, or industrial agreement provides for certain specified days or a certain number of days to be observed or treated as public holidays, or empowers the Governor by proclamation or otherwise to proclaim, appoint or declare any day as a public holiday, is deemed to be amended so as to provide that the special holiday shall be observed or treated as a public holiday without deduction of pay.

Effect of  
special  
holiday on  
other Acts,  
etc.

(2) A person required by his employer to work on the special holiday shall—

- (a) be compensated for his work on the special holiday in accordance with the provisions of the relevant Act, regulation, award or industrial agreement relating to work done by an employee on a public holiday; or
- (b) in the absence of a provision to that effect, be paid for his work at the rate of double time, or, at the option of the employer, have

one day added to his annual leave, or if he works for part only of the special holiday, shall have an equivalent number of hours added to his annual leave.

(3) Where under the provisions of section four of this Act a special holiday is appointed on different days for various parts of the State, a person to whom any Act, regulation, award or industrial agreement mentioned in subsection (1) of this section applies is entitled to only one special holiday or in lieu of the special holiday he is entitled on only one occasion to the rights and privileges conferred by subsection (2) of this section.

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