

GUARDIANSHIP OF INFANTS.

12° and 13° Geo. VI., No. XLVII.

No. 47 of 1948.

AN ACT to amend the Guardianship of Infants Act, 1926.

[Assented to 7th January, 1949.]

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

1. This Act may be cited as the *Guardianship of Infants Act Amendment Act, 1948*, and shall be read as one with the Guardianship of Infants Act, 1926 (Act No. 23 of 1926), hereinafter called the principal Act. Short title.

2. The principal Act, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the Guardianship of Infants Act, 1926-1948, and shall be construed as one with the Guardianship of Infants Act, 1920 (Act No. 15 of 1920). Citation of principal Act as amended, and construction.

3. The principal Act is amended by inserting after section six a section as follows:— Amendment of principal Act.
 - 6A. Where, on the death of the surviving parent of an infant, there is no appointed guardian of the infant, or a guardian or guardians has or have been appointed but is or are dead or cannot be found or refuses or refuse to act, the Court may, if it thinks fit, appoint any person or persons to act as guardian or guardians of the infant, and may make such order as to the custody of the infant and the right of access thereto of any person (whether a relative of the infant or not) as to the Court seems fit. Power of Court to appoint guardians in certain cases.