

**FINANCIAL EMERGENCY.**

25° GEO. V., No. XXV.

No. 26 of 1934.

**AN ACT to amend Sections six, seven, and seventeen and to repeal Section eighteen of the Financial Emergency Act, 1934.**

[Assented to 28th December, 1934.]

**B**E 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 *Financial Emergency Act Amendment Act*, 1934, and shall be read as one with the *Financial Emergency Act*, 1934 (No. 1 of 1934), hereinafter referred to as the principal Act. Short title.

2. Section six of the principal Act is amended by adding to paragraph (i) of the proviso to subsection (1) a subparagraph, as follows:— Amendment of s. 6.

(e) For the purposes of the application of this paragraph the classification of salaries made under the Public Service Act, 1904, and in force on the thirtieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirty, and the classification of teachers' salaries made under the Education Act, 1928, and in force on the said date, shall be deemed to be still in force, and any reclassifications of salaries made under either of the said Acts after the said date and in force during the continuance of this subparagraph shall be disregarded.

3. Section six of the principal Act is further amended as follows:— Further amendment of s. 6.

(a) by deleting the words "thirty-four," in line four of subsection (4), and inserting in lieu thereof the words "thirty-five";

- (b) by deleting the figures “£293,” where they appear in lines eight and thirteen of paragraph (a) of subsection (4), and inserting in lieu thereof in each case the figures “£500”;
- (c) by deleting the words “paragraph (c),” in line fifteen of paragraph (a) of subsection (4), and inserting in lieu thereof the words “paragraphs (c), (d), and (e)”;
- (d) by deleting the second proviso to paragraph (a) of subsection (4), and inserting in lieu thereof a proviso, as follows:—

Provided that, as regards every adjustment in salaries to be made after the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-five, if the declared amount of the basic wage be then different by less than five pounds per annum from the last current amount of the basic wage, then the last current amount of the basic wage shall continue to apply for the purpose of making the adjustment in salary aforesaid, until such time as a subsequent declaration or subsequent declarations in the amount of the basic wage shall vary the difference between the amount of the basic wage last declared as aforesaid and the amount of the basic wage last applicable in making the adjustment in salary as aforesaid by five pounds per annum or more, whereupon the total difference (to the nearest pound per annum) shall apply as from the date of the commencement of the pay period next following the date of the latest basic wage declaration.

- (e) by deleting paragraph (c) of subsection (4), and inserting after paragraph (b) of the said subsection new paragraphs, as follows:—
  - (c) In the case of an officer employed in any position in respect of which the rate of salary as fixed on the thirtieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirty, exceeded £500 per annum, the salary of such officer shall be reduced only in accordance with the following provisions, that is to say:—
    - (i) Where the rate of salary as fixed on the date aforesaid did not exceed £1,000 per annum, the amount of the reduction shall be calculated in relation to the first £500 and to the remainder of the rate

of salary in excess of £500 separately, as follows:—

- (a) in respect of the first £500, the amount of the reduction shall be a sum equivalent to the aggregate amount (to the nearest pound) of the variation in the male basic wages declared since the thirtieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirty, whether prior to or after the commencement of this paragraph, and the second proviso to paragraph (a) of this subsection shall also apply under and for the purposes of this subparagraph; and
  - (b) in respect of the remainder of the rate of salary in excess of £500, the amount of the reduction shall, subject to subsection (i) of this section, be a sum equivalent to twenty pounds per centum of such remainder.
- (ii) Where the rate of salary as fixed on the date aforesaid exceeded £1,000 per annum, the amount of the reduction shall be calculated in relation to the first £500, and to the remainder of the rate of salary in excess of £500 separately, as follows:—
- (a) in respect of the first £500, the amount of the reduction shall be a sum equivalent to the sum of twelve pounds ten shillings, plus the aggregate amount (to the nearest pound) of the variation in the male basic wages declared since the thirtieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirty, whether prior to or after the commencement of this paragraph, and the second proviso to paragraph (a) of this subsection shall also apply under and for the purposes of this subparagraph; and
  - (b) in respect of the remainder of the rate of salary in excess of £500, the amount of the reduction shall, subject to subsection (i) of this section, be a sum equivalent to twenty-two pounds ten shillings per centum of such remainder.
- (d) For the purposes of the application of paragraph (a) of this subsection in calculating the amount of reduction of salaries under this subsection, the classification of salaries made under the Public Service Act, 1904, and in force on the thirtieth day

of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirty, and the classification of teachers' salaries made under the Education Act, 1928, and in force on the said date shall be deemed to be still in force, and any reclassifications of salaries made under either of the said Acts after the said date and in force during the continuance of this paragraph shall be disregarded.

- (e) Where an officer is employed in a position in respect of which the rate of salary as fixed on the thirtieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirty, was lower than the minimum male adult rate of salary, as fixed on the said date, in the department or instrumentality in which such position is held, then, insofar as the amount of the reduction of the rate of salary of such officer is to be ascertained by deducting from the rate of salary a sum equivalent to the aggregate amount (to the nearest pound) of the variation in the male basic wages as mentioned in paragraph (a) of this subsection, that proportionate part only of such aggregate amount of the variation aforesaid which bears to the said aggregate amount of the variation aforesaid the same ratio as the rate of salary of such officer as fixed on the date aforesaid bore to the said minimum adult male rate of salary as fixed on the date aforesaid shall be deducted from the rate of salary of such officer.

Amendment of s. 7

4. Section seven of the principal Act is amended, as follows:—

- (a) by deleting from paragraph (i) of the proviso to subsection (1) all the words after the word "granted," in line six of the said paragraph, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "on the basis of the normal rate or rates of salary which would have been payable to such officer if this Act had not been passed";
- (b) by deleting paragraph (ii) of the proviso to subsection (1), and inserting in lieu thereof a paragraph, as follows:—
- (ii) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained elsewhere in this section or in this Act, save and except paragraph (iv.) of this proviso, every superannuation allowance and every retiring allowance

subject to reduction under this section shall, as from and including the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-five, be reduced only in accordance with the following provisions, that is to say:—

- (a) In the case of any person whose superannuation allowance or retiring allowance does not exceed £500 per annum, the amount of the reduction shall be a sum equivalent to the aggregate amount (to the nearest pound) of the variation in the male basic wages declared since the thirtieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirty, whether before or after the commencement of this paragraph, and the second proviso to paragraph (a) of subsection (4) of section six of this Act shall also apply under and for the purposes of this subparagraph.
- (b) In the case of any person whose superannuation allowance or retiring allowance exceeds £500 per annum and does not exceed £1,000 per annum, the amount of the reduction shall be calculated in relation to the first £500 and to the remainder in excess of £500 of the rate of such allowance separately, as follows:—
  - (i) in respect of the first £500 of the rate of the allowance, the amount of the reduction shall be a sum equivalent to the aggregate amount (to the nearest pound) of the variation in the male basic wages declared since the thirtieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirty, whether prior to or after the commencement of this paragraph; and the second proviso to paragraph (a) of subsection (4) of section six of this Act shall also apply under and for the purposes of this subparagraph; and
  - (ii) in respect of the remainder of the rate of the allowance in excess of £500, the amount of the reduction shall be a sum equivalent to twenty pounds per centum of such remainder.

5. Section seventeen of the principal Act is amended by deleting the words “thirty-four,” in line two, and inserting in lieu thereof the words “thirty-five.” Amendment of  
s 17.

6. Section eighteen of the principal Act is hereby repealed.