

INTERPRETATION (No. 2).

No. 79 of 1970.

AN ACT to amend the Interpretation Act,
1918-1970.

[Assented to 30th November, 1970.]

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:—

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the *Interpretation Act Amendment Act (No. 2), 1970.*

Short title
and citation.

(2) In this Act the Interpretation Act, 1918-1970 is referred to as the principal Act.

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amended by
Acts No. 13
of 1962 and
No. 6 of 1970.

(3) The principal Act as amended by this Act may be cited as the Interpretation Act, 1918-1970.

S. 4A added.

2. The principal Act is amended by adding after section 4 a section as follows—

References
in State law
to British
subjects
etc.

4A. (1) In this section—

“Commonwealth Act” means the Citizenship Act 1948-1969 of the Parliament of the Commonwealth and any Act passed in amendment of, or substitution for, that Act;

“Law of the State” means—

- (a) an Act and any other law in force in the State;
- (b) an instrument, including a regulation, rule or by-law having effect by virtue of such an Act, as is referred to in paragraph (a) of this definition;
- (c) an instrument having effect by virtue of such an instrument as is referred to in paragraph (b) of this definition.

(2) A reference in any law of the State to a British subject or to a natural born or naturalized subject of Her Majesty or to any other like expression, shall be read as a reference to an Australian citizen and to any other person who, under the Commonwealth Act, has the status of a British subject or has the status of a British subject without citizenship.

(3) Where a rule of law applies to, or in relation to, or has effect with respect to a British subject, that rule of law applies to, or in relation to, or has effect with respect to an Australian citizen and any other person who, under the Commonwealth Act, has the status of a British subject or has the status of a British subject without citizenship, as if that Australian citizen or other person were a British subject.