CO-OPERATIVE AND PROVIDENT SOCIETIES.

No. 43 of 1969.

AN ACT to amend the Co-operative and Provident Societies Act, 1903-1947.

[Assented to 21st May, 1969.]

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 Co-operative and citation. and Provident Societies Act Amendment Act, 1969.

- (2) In this Act the Co-operative and Provident Societies Act, 1903-1947, is referred to as the principal Act.
- (3) The principal Act as amended by this Act may be cited as the Co-operative and Provident Societies Act, 1903-1969.

S. 2 amended.

- 2. Section two of the principal Act is amended by adding, after the interpretation, "Property", the following interpretation—
 - "Public Auditor" means a person appointed as such, under the provisions of section sixtyone of this Act; .
- S. 3 amended.
- 3. Section three of the principal Act is amended, as to subsection (1), by substituting for the words, "seven hundred and fifty pounds", at the end of the subsection, the words, "five thousand dollars".
- S. 4 amended.
- 4. Section four of the principal Act is amended by substituting for the words, "a fee of two pounds", at the end of the section, the words, "the prescribed fee".

S. 9 amended.

- 5. Section nine of the principal Act is amended,—
 - (a) as to subsection (3), by substituting for the words, "a fee of ten shillings", at the end of the subsection, the words, "the prescribed fee":
 - (b) as to subsection (5), by substituting for the words, "one shilling", at the end of the subsection, the words, "such as may be approved by the Minister"; and
 - (c) by repealing subsection (7) and re-enacting it as follows—
 - (7) The rules of every society registered under this Act—
 - (a) shall provide for the profits being appropriated to any purpose stated therein or as may be determined in such manner as the rules direct; and

- (b) are deemed to provide that all members qualified to vote on any question affecting the society shall have equal voting power irrespective of the number of shares held by them.
- 6. Section eleven of the principal Act is $^{\rm 8.11}_{\rm amended,}$ amended,—
 - (a) as to subsection (1), by substituting for the words, "one of the public auditors appointed as hereinafter mentioned", at the end of the subsection, the words, "a public auditor appointed by the society"; and
 - (b) as to subsection (2), by substituting—
 - (i) for the word, "auditors", in line one, the passage, "public auditor appointed under subsection (1) of this section";
 - (ii) for the word, "them", in line seven the word, "him"; and
 - (iii) for the words, "they find", in line nine, the words, "he finds".
- 7. Section twelve of the principal Act is $\frac{8.12}{\text{amended}}$. amended,—
 - (a) as to subsection (2),—
 - (i) by deleting the words, "or auditors", in paragraph (a); and
 - (ii) by substituting for paragraph (d) the following paragraph—
 - (d) Shall set out the full name and place of business of the public auditor by whom the audit was conducted.;

and

(b) as to subsection (3), by substituting for the word, "auditors", in line four, the word, "auditor's".

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S. 13 amended. 8. Section thirteen of the principal Act is amended by substituting for the word, "auditors", in line two of paragraph (2), the word, "auditor".

S. 19 amended. 9. Section nineteen of the principal Act is amended by substituting for the words, "seven hundred and fifty pounds", in line seven, the words, "five thousand dollars".

S. 43 amended. 10. Section forty-three of the principal Act is amended, as to subsection (1), by substituting for the words, "seven hundred and fifty pounds", in line six and, again, in line seven, the words, "five thousand dollars", in each case.

S. 61 repealed and re-enacted. 11. Section sixty-one of the principal Act is repealed and re-enacted, as follows—

Appointment of public auditors.

61. THE Governor may, from time to time, by Order in Council, appoint persons to be public auditors, for the purposes of this Act, and may, in like manner, terminate any such appointment.

First Schedule amended.

- 12. The First Schedule to the principal Act is amended.—
 - (a) as to clause 3, by deleting the words, "scale and"; and
 - (b) as to clause 5, by substituting for the words, "seven hundred and fifty pounds sterling", the words, "five thousand dollars".