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ELECTORAL LEGISLATION AMENDMENT ACT 1996

(No. 43 of 1996) PROCLAMATION

WESTERN AUSTRALIA
P. M. Jeffery,
Governor.
[L.S.]

By His Excellency Major General Philip Michael Jeffery, Companion of the Order of Australia, Officer of the Order of Australia (Military Division), Military Cross, Governor of the State of Western Australia.

I, the Governor, acting under section 2 (2) of the Electoral Legislation Amendment Act 1996, and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, fix the day after the day on which this proclamation is published in the *Government Gazette* as the day on which Parts 2, 4 and 5 of that Act come into operation.

Given under my hand and the Public Seal of the State on 5 November 1996. By His Excellency's Command,

N. F. MOORE, Minister for Parliamentary and Electoral Affairs. GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

ELECTORAL AMENDMENT (POLITICAL FINANCE) ACT 1992

(No. 75 of 1992) PROCLAMATION

WESTERN AUSTRALIA
P. M. Jeffery,
Governor.
[L.S.]

By His Excellency Major General Philip Michael Jeffery, Companion of the Order of Australia, Officer of the Order of Australia (Military Division), Military Cross, Governor of the State of Western Australia.

I, the Governor, acting under section 2 of the Electoral Amendment (Political Finance) Act 1992, and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, fix the day after the day on which this proclamation is published in the *Government Gazette* as the day on which the provisions of that Act, other than sections 5 and 6, come into operation.

Given under my hand and the Public Seal of the State on 5 November 1996. By His Excellency's Command,

N. F. MOORE, Minister for Parliamentary and Electoral Affairs. GOD SAVE THE QUEEN !

ELECTORAL ACT 1907

ELECTORAL AMENDMENT REGULATIONS 1996

Made by His Excellency the Governor in Executive Council.

Citation

1. These regulations may be cited as the *Electoral Amendment Regulations 1996*.

Commencement

2. These regulations come into operation on the day on which the *Electoral Legislation Amendment Act 1996* comes into operation.

Principal regulations

- **3.** In these regulations the *Electoral Regulations 1996* * are referred to as the principal regulations.
 - [* Published in Gazette 10 October 1996, pp. 5321-92.]

Regulation 6 amended

- 4. Regulation 6 (1) and (2) of the principal regulations are repealed and the following subregulation is substituted $\,$
 - (1) The declaration by an officer prescribed for the purposes of section 15A of the Act is the declaration in Form 1 in Schedule 2.

Regulation 8 amended

- **5.** Regulation 8 of the principal regulations is amended
 - (a) by inserting after the regulation designation "8." the subregulation designation "(1)"; and
 - (b) by inserting the following subregulation —

(2) Despite subregulation (1), the sex and occupation of electors may be omitted when rolls are printed under section 24 of the Act or supplied under section 112 of the Act.

Regulation 28 amended

- **6.** Regulation 28 of the principal regulations is amended by deleting "Constitution Act" and substituting the following —
- " Constitution Acts ".

Schedule 2 amended

7. Forms 1 and 2 in Schedule 2 to the principal regulations are deleted and the following Form is substituted — $\,$

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FORM 1

[Regulation 6 (1)]

Western Australia Electoral Act 1907 (s. 15A)

DECLARATION BY OFFICER

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of_							
	are th						
1.	I acc	cept the office of;					
2.	I will faithfully and impartially perform the duties of my office to the best of my understanding and ability; and						
3.	I ha	re no active or official connection with —					
	(a)	any political party;					
	(b)	any election or campaign committee; or					
	(c)	any person who has nominated as a candidate for an election in a district or region in, or respect of which, I will be carrying out my duties,					
		I will immediately notify the Electoral Commissioner if such nnection arises.					
		Signature of officer					
Dec	lared h	pefore me on					
	iui ou x	Date					
	Sign	ature of witness					
	Nan	ne of witness					
	Comr must A dec	eclaration by the Electoral Commissioner, the Deputy Electoral missioner, an Acting Electoral Commissioner or a Returning Officer be witnessed by a Justice of the Peace. claration by any other officer must be witnessed by a person who is, or alified to be, an elector at Commonwealth or State elections.]					

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Schedule 3 amended

- 8. (1) Form 1 in Schedule 3 to the principal regulations is amended
 - (a) by deleting "Occupation" and substituting the following
 - " Occupation* ";
 - (b) by deleting "Sex" and substituting the following
 - " Sex* "; and
 - (c) by inserting the following note at the end of the Form —

[* This column may be omitted when rolls are printed under section 24 of the Act or supplied under section 112 of the Act.]

- (2) Form 25 in Schedule 3 to the principal regulations is amended
 - (a) by deleting "\$100" and substituting the following
 - " \$250 "; and
 - (b) by deleting "me*" and substituting the following
 - " the Electoral Commissioner* ".
- (3) Form 28 in Schedule 3 to the principal regulations is amended
 - (a) by deleting "Initials" and substituting the following
 - " Initials* "; and
 - (b) by inserting the following note at the end of the Form
 - " [* Not required if the Ballot Paper is printed on official paper.] ".

(4) Forms 33 to 36 in Schedule 3 to the principal regulations are deleted and the following Forms are substituted —

FORM 33

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APPARENT FAILURE TO VOTE — (1) PENALTY NOTICE

Name and address of elector:						
	Electoral district:					
Dear elector						
It appears from the Electoral Commission's records that you did not vote at the State election held on						
The law requires that all electors must vote at State elections. An elector who fails to vote commits an offence unless he or she has a valid and sufficient reason for not voting (such as being out of the State or being seriously ill or injured so as to be unable to go to a polling place).						
To resolve this matter please complete the fo notice and return it to the Electoral Commenvelope before	rm on the back of this nission in the enclosed					
If you do not return this form by that date you may be prosecuted in court or the matter may be referred to the Fines Enforcement Registry — which may lead to your driver's licence or vehicle licence being cancelled.						
If you $\mathbf{did}\ \mathbf{vote}\ \mathbf{you}\ \mathbf{should}\ \mathbf{fill}\ \mathbf{in}\ \mathbf{Part}\ \mathbf{A}\ \mathbf{of}\ \mathbf{the}$	form.					
If you have a valid and sufficient reason for should fill in Part B of the form.	· having not voted you					

If you did not vote and you do not have a valid and sufficient reason you may pay a modified penalty of \$20⁽²⁾ and that will be the end of the matter. To do this you should fill in Part C of the form and send your payment with the form. If you do not pay the modified penalty you may be prosecuted in court or the matter may be referred to the Fines Enforcement Registry — which may lead to your driver's licence or vehicle licence being cancelled.

This matter cannot be settled by telephone. If you have any more information you wish to give to the Electoral Commission you must put

it in writing and send it with this form. you need to.	You may attach more pages if
If you (the elector) are unable to fill in the from home or are physically incapacitates for you, as long as that other elector he facts.	d. another elector may fill it in
Electoral Commissioner	Date

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APPARENT FAILURE TO VOTE — (1) PENALTY NOTICE

Please print your details on this form and tick the appropriate boxes.

Elector's details

Residential address: Daytime phone number [if converged] Fill in Part A OR Part B OR Part C	enient]								
Fill in Part A OR Part B OR Part C									
Part I did vote at the State election. I voted:									
at at									
by lodging a postal vote									
I had a valid and sufficient reason for not voting.									
Part I did not vote because:									
	- And the total bounded.								
B									
penalty of \$20 ⁽²⁾ to put an end to this matter.	I did not vote at the State election and I wish to pay the modified penalty of \$20 ⁽²⁾ to put an end to this matter.								
Method of payment:									
cash [if paying in cash please deliver this form to the Elec	cash [if paying in cash please deliver this form to the Electoral								
	Commission in person. Do not send cash through the post]								
or									
cheque or money order made payable to the W	cheque or money order made payable to the WA								
or									
by credit card									
Type of card:									
Card number: Expiry date:									
Signature:									
[Note: Payment of this penalty fully discharges any liability in relation to your									
apparent failure to vote. However if your cheque or credit card payment is dishonoured, you will be treated as if you had not paid.]	apparent failure to vote. However if your cheque or credit card payment is dishonoured, you will be treated as if you had not paid.]								

Signature:	Date:
If you have completed this form on behalf full name and daytime telephone number.	
Name:	Phone: ()

Making a false or misleading statement in this form is an offence.

Notes

- In a notice under section 156 (9) of the Act insert "SECOND". If this is the elector's second or subsequent offence replace with "\$50". (1) (2)

FORM 34

Western Australia Electoral Act 1907 (s. 156 (12))

FAILURE TO VOTE — FINAL NOTICE

Nam	e and address of elector:	Electoral district:				
Dear e	elector					
	you for returning the Penalty Notice in r to vote at the State election held on					
In that	notice ⁽¹⁾					
	you indicated that you voted at The Electoral Commission has re-checked it records for that polling place but is still unable to find any record of you having voted.					
	you indicated that you posted a postal vote on The Electoral Commission has re-checked its records of postal votes for your electoral district but is still unable to find any record of your vote having been received.					
	you indicated that you did not vote and gave doing so. The Electoral Commissioner has considered unable to accept it as a valid and sufficient voting.	d your reason but is				

The Electoral Commissioner therefore considers that you have committed an offence by failing to vote without a valid and sufficient reason.

If you wish to avoid this matter being dealt with in court or by the Fines Enforcement Registry you may pay a modified penalty of \$20⁽²⁾ and that will be the end of the matter.

To do this you should fill in the form on and your payment to the Electoral Combefore	
If you (the elector) are unable to fill in from home or are physically incapacitate you, as long as that other elector has per	ed, another elector may fill it in for
Electoral Commissioner	 Date

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FAILURE TO VOTE — FINAL NOTICE

Please print your details on this form and tick the appropriate boxes.

Elector's details

Full name:						
Residential address:	Daytime phone number [if convenient]					
	()					
I did not vote at the State election and I wish to pay to \$20 ⁽²⁾ to put an end to this matter. Method of payment:	he modified penalty					
Cash [if paying in cash please deliver this form to the Electoral Commission in person. Do not send cash through the post] or						
cheque or money order made payable to the WA Electoral Commission or						
by credit card Type of card: Card number: Expiry date: Signature:						
[Note: Payment of this penalty fully discharges any liability in relation to your failure to vote. However if your cheque or credit card payment is dishonoured, you will be treated as if you had not paid.]						
Signature:	Date:					
If you have completed this form on behalf of the electrical name and daytime telephone number. Name: Phone						

Making a false or misleading statement in this form is an offence.

Notes:

- Insert text in box applicable to the case.
- (1) (2) If this is the elector's second or subsequent offence replace with "\$50".

(5)	Form	37 :	in Sch	edule 3	to	the	principal	regulations	is	amended	by
deleting	"(s. 13	39 (a))" and	l substit	utii	ng th	e followin	.g —			

" (s. 113 (4) (a)) ".

By His Excellency's Command,

J. PRITCHARD, Clerk of the Council.

