

## CORNEAL AND TISSUE GRAFTING.

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No. 36 of 1966.

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AN ACT to amend the Corneal and Tissue Grafting Act, 1956.

[Assented to 31st October, 1966.]

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:—

Short title  
and citation.

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the *Corneal and Tissue Grafting Act Amendment Act, 1966.*

(2) In this Act the Corneal and Tissue Grafting Act, 1956, is referred to as the principal Act.

(3) The principal Act as amended by this Act may be cited as the *Tissue Grafting and Processing Act, 1956-1966.*

2. This Act shall come into operation on a date to be fixed by proclamation. Commence-  
ment.

3. The long title to the principal Act is amended by adding after the word, "Purposes" being the last word therein, the passage, "; and to provide for the Processing of certain Therapeutic Substances and for purposes connected therewith". Long title  
amended.

4. The principal Act is amended by adding after section one, a section as follows— S. 1A.  
added.

1A. (1) In this Act, unless the contrary intention appears— Interpre-  
tation.

"therapeutic substance" means substance that is extracted from the eye or other part of the body of a deceased person, and that with or without further processing, is capable of being used for therapeutic purposes by administering it to a living person.

(2) A reference in this Act to therapeutic purposes includes a reference to processing so as to extract a therapeutic substance. .

5. Section three of the principal Act is repealed and re-enacted as follows— S. 3  
repealed and  
re-enacted.

3. (1) Where authority for the removal of any eyes or other part of the body of a deceased person has been given under this Act, those eyes or other part— Grafting  
of eyes and  
other parts  
of the body.

(a) may be used for immediate grafting into the body of a living person or may be retained and used for that purpose at some later time; or

(b) may be retained and used for the purpose of producing therapeutic substances which may at any time be used by administering them to living persons.

(2) No person other than a legally qualified medical practitioner shall undertake the carrying out of such grafting as is referred to in subsection (1) of this section.

(3) No person, other than a legally qualified medical practitioner or a person acting under the direction of a legally qualified medical practitioner, shall administer a therapeutic substance to a living person. .

S. 4  
repealed and  
re-enacted.

6. Section four of the principal Act is repealed and re-enacted as follows—

Retention for  
further use  
to be by  
approved  
persons.

4. Any eyes or other part of the body of a deceased person removed in accordance with this Act and which are to be retained and used for the purpose of—

- (a) grafting into the body of a living person at some later time, shall be retained only by such persons, institutions or organisations as may be approved in writing by the Minister for the purposes of this paragraph; or
- (b) producing therapeutic substances, shall be retained and so used only by such persons, institutions or organisations as may be approved by the Minister for the purposes of this paragraph. .

S. 5  
amended

7. Section five of the principal Act is amended—

(a) by adding after paragraph (b) of subsection (1), a passage as follows—

“(ba) not being a legally qualified medical practitioner or a person acting under the direction of a legally qualified medical practitioner, administers a therapeutic substance to a living person; or”;

(b) by adding after the word, "person" in line four of paragraph (c) of subsection (1), the passage, ", or any therapeutic substance produced,";

(c) by repealing subsection (2) and re-enacting it as follows—

(2) Any person, institution or organisation, not being a person, institution or organisation approved by the Minister—

(a) pursuant to paragraph (a) of section four of this Act, that retains any eyes or other part of the body of a deceased person for grafting into the body of a living person; or

(b) pursuant to paragraph (b) of section four of this Act, that retains or uses any eyes or other part of the body of a deceased person for the purposes of producing therapeutic substances,

is guilty of an offence against this Act. ;  
and

(d) by substituting for the words, "one hundred pounds" in the last line of subsection (3), the words, "two hundred dollars".

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