## ADOPTION OF CHILDREN.

2° Elizabeth II. No. LIII.

No. 53 of 1953.

AN ACT to amend the Adoption of Children Act, 1896-1949.

[Assented to 9th January, 1954.]

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 Adoption Short title of Children Act Amendment Act, 1953.

(2) In this Act the Adoption of Children Act, 1896-1949,

Act No. 6 of 1896 as reprinted with amendments to and including Act No. 57 of 1926 incorporated pursuant to the provisions of the Amendments Incorporation Act, 1938, in Volume 2 of the Reprinted Acts of the Parliament of Western Australia 1943 and further amended by Acts Nos. 31 of 1945 and 22 of 1949,

is referred to as the principal Act.

(3) The principal Act as amended by this Act may be cited as the Adoption of Children Act, 1896-1953.

## New section 5A added.

- 2. The principal Act is amended by adding after section five the following section:—
  - 5A. An order of adoption shall not be made unless, at the date of the application, either the applicant or the child to whom the application refers is domiciled in the State.