OPTOMETRISTS.

8° and 9° GEO. VI., No. XLIV.

No. 44 of 1944.

AN ACT to amend the Optometrists Act, 1940.

[Assented to 24th January, 1945.]

BE it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of Western Australia, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the *Optometrists Act Amendment Act*, 1944, and shall be read as one with the Optometrists Act, 1940 (No. 33 of 1940), hereinafter referred to as the Principal Act.

New section.

- 2. A new section is inserted in the Principal Act, after section thirty-four, as follows:—
 - 34A. Any person who not later than the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and forty-five, makes application in the prescribed manner to the Board for registration under this Act, and proves to the satisfaction of the Board and, if so required, after personal attendance before the Board, that—
 - (a) he is over the age of twenty-one years and is a person of good character; and
 - (b) being a British subject or naturalised British subject, he had, for not less than five years immediately prior to the commencement of the war with Germany in which the Commonwealth is engaged, been continuously and bona fide engaged in the practice of optometry either as an optometrist or optician; and
 - (c) has passed a reasonable test in the work of an optometrist prescribed by the Board,

shall be entitled on payment of the prescribed registration fee and the prescribed certificate fee to be registered as an optometrist under this Act and shall be so registered by the Board.