ADOPTION OF CHILDREN.

17° GEO. V., No. LVII.

No. 57 of 1926.

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

[Assented to 24th December, 1926.]

DE 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 Adoption of Children Act Amendment Act, 1926, and shall be read as one with the Adoption of Children Act, 1896, hereinafter referred to as the principal Act.

Registration of child in the name of adopting parent.

- 2. A section is inserted in the principal Act as follows:—
 - 10A. (1) When an order of adoption has been made, before or after the commencement of the Adoption of Children Act Amendment Act, 1926, in respect of a child registered under Part IV. of the Registration of Births, Deaths, and Marriages Act, 1894, the district registrar having the custody of the register containing the entry of the birth of such child may, on an application being made to him in the prescribed form by the adopting parent, and on payment of the prescribed fee, make a fresh entry in the register in the prescribed form of the birth of the child, with particulars of the date and place of birth and the Christian name or names of the child, and the surname of the adopting parent conferred on the

child, and the name and surname and residence of the adopting parent, and a reference to the order of adoption.

The index of the register kept in the office of the district registrar, and the index of the register kept in the office of the Registrar General shall, in such case, be amended so as to refer to such fresh entry, and the original entry of the birth of the child and the duplicate thereof kept in the general registry, shall not be open to inspection except with the approval of the Registrar General.

(2) In this section "prescribed" means prescribed by regulations made under the Registration of Births, Deaths, and Marriages Act, 1894.