

## LEGAL PRACTITIONERS.

17° GEO. V., No. XLVIII.

No. 48 of 1926.

### AN ACT to amend the Legal Practitioners Act, 1893.

[Assented to 24th December, 1926.]

**B**E 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 *Legal Practitioners Act Amendment Act, 1926*, and shall be read as one with the Legal Practitioners Act, 1893, hereafter referred to as the principal Act, and shall come into operation on a day to be fixed by proclamation.

Amendment of sec. 3.

2. Section three of the principal Act is amended by the insertion of a definition as follows:—

“ ‘Certificated Practitioner’ means a practitioner who is the holder of a valid and current practice certificate in respect of which he has paid the prescribed annual fee.”

Amendment of sec. 6.

3. Section six, subsection one of the principal Act is amended as follows:—

(1) By the insertion after paragraph (c) of the following new paragraph, to stand as paragraph (d):—

“ (d) For prescribing what portion if any of the articles to be served by articled clerks may be served during the period of their attendance at the University of Western Australia as students of law.”

(2) Paragraph (d) is relettered (e) and paragraph (e) is relettered (f).

(3) By the insertion after paragraph (f) of the following new paragraph to stand as paragraph (g):—

“(g) For the issue of annual practice certificates, and for fixing an annual fee to be paid to the Board for the issue of such certificates (which fee shall be not more than ten pounds nor less than five pounds).”

(4) Paragraph (f) is relettered (h).

4. Section seven of the principal Act is deleted and the following substituted in lieu thereof:— Amendment of sec. 7.

“7. All moneys received by the Board under this Act shall be applied as follows:—

(1) For the purposes of carrying out the provisions hereof and of the rules;

(2) For the payment of the sum of five hundred pounds in each year to the University of Western Australia as a contribution towards the establishing and maintaining of a chair of law. Any sum remaining in the hands of the Board on the thirtieth day of June in each year beyond the sum of one hundred pounds may be applied by the Board for the purposes of the Law Library.”

5. Section fourteen of the principal Act is amended as follows:— Amendment of sec. 14.

(1) Before the word “or” at the end of paragraph (a) add the words “of at least two years’ standing”; provided that the words so added shall not apply to persons who are domiciled in Western Australia, but who at the time of the coming into operation of this Act, or within one year thereafter, may be temporarily absent from Western Australia, and who shall be entered as students at any of the Inns of Court in England or Ireland.

(2) In paragraph (e) delete the word “three” in the last line and insert in lieu thereof the word “two.”

6. Sections forty-six, forty-seven, forty-eight, and forty-nine of the principal Act are amended by the insertion of the word “certificated” before the word “practitioner” wherever such latter word occurs therein. Amendment of secs. 46, 47, 48, and 49.

Provision for appeal  
from decision of  
Barristers' Board.

7. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the principal Act or in the Legal Practitioners Act, 1909, there shall be an appeal to the Full Court of Western Australia by any person to whom the Board shall have refused to grant a certificate under section fifteen (b) of the principal Act or section two (b) of the Legal Practitioners Act Amendment Act, 1909.