WESTERN AUSTRALIA

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No. 6

An Act to amend the Law relating to Persons accepting Office under the Crown who may retain their Seats in the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly. Assented to 26th February, 1891.

WHEREAS by 'The Constitution Act, 1889,' it is enacted that Preamble if any member of the Legislative Council or Legislative ⁵² Vic., No. 23, Assembly, after his nomination or election, accepts any Office of Profit under the Crown, other than that of an officer of Her Majesty's sea or land forces on full, half, or retired pay, his seat shall thereupon become vacant: And whereas it may be desirable, in the event of the death, incapacity, or absence of the Governor, to appoint a Member of the Legislative of the Governor. Legislative Council or Legislative Assembly to administer the Govern-

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ment of the Colony for the time being; and it is expedient that a member so appointed should not, by accepting such office, vacate his seat: Be it therefore 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. No Member of the Legislative Council or Legislative Assembly shall vacate his seat by reason of his accepting the office of Administrator of the Government of the Colony, and any Member of either House duly appointed thereto may hold the said office.

2. When a person has been elected a Member of the Legislative Assembly after his acceptance of one of the offices liable to be vacated on political grounds, the subsequent acceptance by him from the Crown of another of such offices, whether both offices are held together, or the one office is accepted in lieu of and in immediate succession to the other, shall not vacate his seat.

3. If any person accepts any two or more of the offices liable to be vacated on political grounds, it shall not be competent for him to receive the salary of more than one office.

4. This Act may be cited as 'The Officials in Parliament Act, 1891.'

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Member may accept office of Administrator without vacating his seat

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