



WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

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VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

No. XXII.

AN ACT to increase the number of Members to serve in the Legislative Council and further to regulate Elections.

[Reserved 29th July, 1873.]

[Royal Assent Proclaimed, 15th January, 1874.]

WHEREAS it is expedient to increase the number of members to serve in the Legislative Council and to make further provisions with respect to candidates at elections of members to serve in the said Council; Be it therefore enacted by His Excellency the Governor of Western Australia and its Dependencies by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof as follows:—

1 FROM and after the passing of this Act the Legislative Council shall consist of Twenty-one members seven of whom being one-third part of the whole number of members shall be appointed

Legislative Council to consist of twenty-one members.

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by Her Majesty according to the provisions of the Act in that behalf in part recited in an Ordinance passed in the thirty-third year of the Reign of Her said Majesty and fourteen of whom shall from time to time be elected as in the said Ordinance provided.

Two additional Electoral Districts.

2 TWO additional Electoral Districts shall be formed. The one shall consist of certain parts of the present districts of Fremantle and Wellington the other of certain parts of the present district of Geraldton. The former shall be called the district of the "Murray and the Williams" and the latter the "Northern District." Such Electoral Districts shall return each one member to serve in the Legislative Council.

Boundaries.

3 THE boundaries of the Fremantle Wellington and Geraldton Electoral Districts and of such additional Electoral Districts shall for the purposes of this Act be deemed and taken to be the boundaries set forth in the Schedule hereunto annexed.

Repeal.

4 SO much of sections one two and four of the 33rd Victoria No. 13 and the Schedule thereunto annexed marked A as is inconsistent with the present Act and Schedule annexed is hereby repealed.

Members at present sitting for Fremantle Wellington and Geraldton to retain their seats.

5 THE members at present sitting in the Legislative Council for the districts of Wellington Fremantle and Geraldton respectively shall from and after the passing of this Act be deemed and taken to sit for and represent the said districts respectively as defined in the Schedule to this Act and not those districts heretofore belonging to such districts which by this Act compose the two additional electoral districts.

Candidates for election to give 10 days' notice thereof to Returning Officer.

6 ANY person who shall be a candidate for election as a member of the Legislative Council of Western Australia shall by himself or by his agent give notice in writing of his intention thereof to the Returning Officer of the district for which he is a candidate at least ten days before the day of election in such district; and the said Returning Officer shall give notice of the intention of such person to become such candidate by affixing a notice to that effect on the Court House door of his district and keeping the same there affixed until the day of election. Provided however that if a day shall be hereafter appointed for holding any election within fourteen days of any day fixed by Proclamation for holding any Session of the Legislative Council or during the time

Only five days' notice on certain occasions.

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that the said Council shall be in Session it shall not be incumbent upon any candidate to give more than five days' notice in the manner hereinbefore provided.

7 THIS Act may be cited for all purposes as “The Legislative Short Title.
Council Act Amendment Act, 1873.”

I reserve this Bill for the signification of Her Majesty's
pleasure thereon.

FRED. A. WELD, Governor.

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SCHEDULE.

1.—Electoral District of Fremantle.

Bounded on the *West* by the Sea Coast, including Rottneſt, Garden, Carnac, and Penguin Iſlands. On the *North* by the ſouth boundaries of Perth Diſtrict. On the *South* by an Eaſt and Weſt line three and a-half miles South from the Narrogin Inn, extending Eaſt from the Sea Coaſt at a ſpot about one mile North from Point James to its junction with the Perth Diſtrict boundary.

2.—Electoral District of Geraldton.

Bounded on the *South* by an eaſterly line from the mouth of the Greenough River to the ſummit of Wizard Peak, then by an eaſterly line to the Coal Seam in the bed of the Irwin River, and then by a true Eaſt line. On the *West* by the Sea Coaſt, including the adjacent iſlands; and on the *North* by the 27th degree of South Latitude.

3.—Electoral District of Murray and Williams.

Bounded on the *West* by the Sea Coaſt. On the *North* by the Perth, Fremantle, and York diſtricts. On the *South* by an Eaſt line from the Sea Coaſt through Mount William to the Murray River, then by that river upwards to Monger's Brook, then along ſaid Brook and the Hillman River to the Arthur River, then along that river upwards to its head, and then by a due Eaſt line.

4.—Electoral District of Wellington.

Bounded on the *West* by the Sea Coaſt; on the *North* by the Murray and Williams Diſtrict boundary; and on the *South* by a due Eaſt line from the junction of the Blackwood, Beaufort, and Balgarrup Rivers, thence by the Blackwood River downwards (inclusive of all locations and leased lands on both its banks) to the junction of Padbury Brook, then by a North-westerly line to the South-west corner of Location 171 on the River Capel, then by that river downwards (including the appropriated lands having frontage on it), and by a true Weſt line to the Sea Coaſt through the North end of Wonnerup Inlet.

5.—Electoral District of the North.

Bounded on the *South* by the North boundary of Geraldton Diſtrict. On the *North* and *West* by the Sea Coaſt, including the adjacent iſlands; and on the *East* by the eaſtern boundary of the Colony.