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## **Parliament (Qualification of Women) Act 1920**

**An Act to amend the Law with respect to the Capacity of Women to sit in Parliament.**

*[Assented to 3 November 1920.]*

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: —

**1. Short title**

This Act may be cited as the *Parliament (Qualification of Women) Act 1920*.

**2. Capacity of women to be Members of Parliament**

- (1) A woman shall not be disqualified by sex or marriage for being elected to or sitting and voting as a Member of the Legislative Council or the Legislative Assembly.
- (2) The *Constitution Acts Amendment Act 1899*, is hereby amended as follows: —
  - (a) By omitting from section three the words “ “Person,” in sections fifteen, sixteen, seventeen, twenty-six, twenty-seven, and twenty-eight, means an individual of either sex,” and inserting in place thereof, “ “Person” means an individual of either sex”; and

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- (b) By substituting in sections seven and twenty respectively the word “person” for the word “man,” and the words “such person is” for the words “he be.”

**Notes**

- <sup>1.</sup> This is a compilation of the *Parliament (Qualification of Women) Act 1920* and includes all amendments effected by the other Acts referred to in the following Table.

**Compilation table**

<b>Short title</b>	<b>Number and year</b>	<b>Assent</b>	<b>Commencement</b>
<i>Parliament (Qualification of Women) Act 1920</i>	7 of 1920	3 Nov 1920	3 Nov 1920