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Returned Servicemen's Badges Act 1953

An Act relating to the unauthorized use or possession of membership badges issued by The Returned Sailors' Soldiers' and Airmen's Imperial League of Australia, W.A. Branch, Incorporated.

[Assented to 7 December 1953.]

Be it 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. Short title

This Act may be cited as the *Returned Servicemen's Badges Act 1953*.

2. Interpretation

In this Act, unless the context requires otherwise —

financial member means a member of the League who has paid and continues to pay annually the subscription required by the League to be paid by its members, and includes a member who has not paid such subscription except where such subscription remains unpaid at the expiration of a period of three months after having become due;

the League means The Returned Sailors' Soldiers' and Airmen's Imperial League of Australia, W.A. Branch, Incorporated;

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returned serviceman's badge means a badge of the kind issued by the League for the purpose of indicating that the wearer is a member of the League.

3. Unauthorized use or possession of badges

- (1) A person who is not a financial member of the League shall not wear, or, without lawful excuse, have in his possession any returned serviceman's badge.
- (2) A person who contravenes any of the provisions of this section shall be guilty of an offence.

Penalty: For a first offence, a sum not exceeding ten pounds,
and for a subsequent offence, a sum not exceeding
twenty-five pounds.

4. Proceedings for offences

Proceedings for offences against this Act shall be heard and determined summarily.

Notes

- ^{1.} This is a compilation of the *Returned Servicemen's Badges Act 1953* and includes all amendments effected by the other Acts referred to in the following Table.

Compilation table

Short title	Number and year	Assent	Commencement
<i>Returned Servicemen's Badges Act 1953</i>	21 of 1953	7 Dec 1953	7 Dec 1953

N.B. [*Affected by No. 58 of 1967.*]