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An Act to rename Foundation Day to Western Australia Day and accordingly to amend the *Public and Bank Holidays Act 1972* and the *Minimum Conditions of Employment Act 1993* and for related purposes.

[Assented to 10 April 2012]

The Parliament of Western Australia enacts as follows:

Background

Whereas:

- A. The 1st of June in 1829 was the day when the first European settlers, under the command of Captain James Stirling RN, Lieutenant Governor, arrived from Britain to settle the Swan River Colony; and
- B. Foundation Day is celebrated on the first Monday of June each year to mark this important event for Western Australians; and
- C. Foundation Day acknowledges our indigenous people as the original inhabitants and traditional custodians of the land and unites all who have made Western Australia their home,

it is, 182 years later, now appropriate that Foundation Day be known as Western Australia Day.

Part 1 — General

1. Short title

This is the *Western Australia Day (Renaming) Act 2012*.

2. Commencement

This Act comes into operation as follows —

- (a) sections 1 and 2 — on the day on which this Act receives the Royal Assent;
- (b) the rest of the Act — on the day after that day.

3. Renaming

- (1) This Act renames Foundation Day to Western Australia Day.
- (2) A reference in any legislative or other instrument to Foundation Day may be read as referring to Western Australia Day, unless in the context it is inappropriate to do so.

Part 2 — Consequential amendments

Division 1 — *Public and Bank Holidays Act 1972* amended

4. Act amended

This Division amends the *Public and Bank Holidays Act 1972*.

5. Second Schedule amended

In the Second Schedule delete “Foundation Day” and insert:

Western Australia Day

Division 2 — *Minimum Conditions of Employment Act 1993* amended

6. Act amended

This Division amends the *Minimum Conditions of Employment Act 1993*.

7. Schedule 1 amended

In Schedule 1 delete “Foundation Day.” and insert:

Western Australia Day.

