

Western Australia

Alteration of Statutory Designations Act 1974

Reprint 2: The Act as at 6 February 2015

Guide for using this reprint

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Endnotes, Compilation table, and Table of provisions that have not come into operation

- 1. Details about the original Act and legislation that has amended its text are shown in the Compilation table in endnote 1, at the back of the reprint. The table also shows any previous reprint.
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1. If the reprint includes a section that was inserted, or has been amended, since the Act being reprinted was passed, editorial notes at the foot of the section give some history of how the section came to be as it is. If the section replaced an earlier section, no history of the earlier section is given (the full history of the Act is in the Compilation table).

Notes of this kind may also be at the foot of Schedules or headings.

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 - removed (because it was repealed or deleted from the law); or
 - omitted under the *Reprints Act 1984* s. 7(4) (because, although still technically part of the text, it no longer has any effect).

The text of anything removed or omitted can be found in an earlier reprint (if there is one) or one of the written laws identified in the Compilation table.

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- 1. The reprint number (in the footer of each page of the document) shows how many times the Act has been reprinted. For example, numbering a reprint as "Reprint 3" would mean that the reprint was the 3rd reprint since the Act was passed. Reprint numbering was implemented as from 1 January 2003.
- 2. The information in the reprint is current on the date shown as the date as at which the Act is reprinted. That date is not the date when the reprint was published by the State Law Publisher and it is probably not the date when the most recent amendment had effect.

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Alteration of Statutory Designations Act 1974

An Act to facilitate the alteration of the style and title of Ministers of the Crown, offices and departments, and for purposes incidental thereto.

[Long title amended by No. 62 of 1981 s. 2.]

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Part I — General

1. Citation

This Act may be cited as the Alteration of Statutory Designations Act 1974¹.

[Section 1 amended by No. 62 of 1981 s. 3.]

2. Commencement

This Act, or any Part thereof, shall come into operation on such date as is fixed by proclamation in relation thereto 1 .

2A. Terms used

In this Act, unless the contrary intention appears —

department means any department or part of a department of the Government;

Minister means a principal executive office of the Government under the *Constitution Acts Amendment Act 1899*;

office includes any office in a department;

reference includes a reference otherwise than by designation, style or title.

[Section 2A inserted by No. 62 of 1981 s. 4.]

3. Change of reference

- (1) Whenever
 - (a) the Governor
 - (i) designates and declares a principal executive office of the Government for the purposes of the *Constitution Acts Amendment Act 1899* and thereby changes the designation of a Minister;
 - (ii) establishes, amalgamates, divides, or abolishes a department or alters the designation of any department;

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the Governor may, by Order in Council, direct that a reference to — $\ensuremath{\mathsf{--}}$

- (c) a Minister;
- (d) an office;
- (e) a department,

as the case may be, contained in ---

- (f) any law; or
- (g) any instrument, contract, or legal proceedings made or commenced before the coming into operation of the Order,

by a reference specified in the Order shall be read and construed as a reference to a Minister, office, or department by the reference specified in that Order, and effect shall be given to any such direction.

- (2) An Order under this section shall not affect the validity of anything done by or in relation to any Minister of the Crown, office, or department before the coming into operation of the Order.
- (3) An Order under this section shall come into operation on the date on which it is published in the *Government Gazette*, or on such later date as may be specified in the Order.

[Section 3 amended by No. 62 of 1981 s. 5.]

4. Variation or revocation of Orders

An Order in Council made pursuant to this Act may be varied or revoked by a subsequent Order in Council made thereunder.

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4A. Effect of revocation of Order

Notwithstanding anything in the *Interpretation Act 1918*², an Order in Council under section 4 that revokes an Order in Council made pursuant to section 3 shall, unless the Order in Council made under section 4 otherwise directs, effect a revival of the reference altered by the Order in Council made pursuant to section 3.

[Section 4A inserted by No. 62 of 1981 s. 6.]

4B. Governor may rectify omissions

Where through an accidental omission to alter a reference to a Minister, an office in a department, or a department anything done or required to be done by or under a law is done by or in relation to a Minister, office, or a department by a reference other than the reference then currently applicable in relation to that Minister, office, or department, the Governor may by Order in Council take such measures as are necessary for removing any doubt arising from the omission and may validate anything which has been done by or in relation to a Minister, office, or department otherwise than by reference to the reference then currently applicable to that Minister, office, or department.

[Section 4B inserted by No. 62 of 1981 s. 6.]

5. Saving of prerogative powers

Nothing in this Act shall prejudice any power exercisable by virtue of the prerogative of the Crown in relation to functions of Ministers of the Crown.

[Part II, III, IV deleted by No. 62 of 1981 s. 7.]

[Part V deleted by No. 111 of 1979 s. 3.]

[Part VI, VII deleted by No. 62 of 1981 s. 7.]

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Notes

This reprint is a compilation as at 6 February 2015 of the *Alteration of Statutory Designations Act 1974* and includes the amendments made by the other written laws referred to in the following table. The table also contains information about any reprint.

Compilation table

Short title	Number and year	Assent	Commencement
Ministers of the Crown (Statutory Designations) and Acts Amendment Act 1974 ³	27 of 1974	29 Oct 1974	1 Dec 1974 (see s. 2 and <i>Gazette</i> 6 Dec 1974 p. 5204)
State Energy Commission Act 1979 s. 3(2)	111 of 1979	21 Dec 1979	1 Feb 1980 (see s. 2 and <i>Gazette</i> 1 Feb 1980 p. 284)
Ministers of the Crown (Statutory Designations) Amendment Act 1981	62 of 1981	13 Oct 1981	13 Oct 1981

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² Repealed by the *Interpretation Act 1984*.

³ Now known as the *Alteration of Statutory Designations Act 1974*; short title changed (see note under s. 1).

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[This is a list of terms defined and the provisions where they are defined. The list is not part of the law.]

Defined term	Provision(s)
department	2A
Minister	2A
office	
reference	2A

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