WESTERN AUSTRALIA ____

COUNTRY HIGH SCHOOL HOSTELS AUTHORITY AMENDMENT ACT 1998

No. 2 of 1998

AN ACT to amend the Country High School Hostels Authority Act 1960.

[Assented to 26 March 1998.]

The Parliament of Western Australia enacts as follows:

Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the Country High School Hostels Authority Amendment Act 1998.

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Commencement

2. This Act comes into operation on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent.

Principal Act

3. In this Act the *Country High School Hostels Authority Act 1960** is referred to as the principal Act.

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Section 3 amended

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- **4.** Section 3 of the principal Act is amended
 - (a) by deleting the definitions of "high school" and "primary school";
 - (b) in the definition of "hostel" by deleting "enrolled in a high school, or in a primary school";
 - (c) by inserting after the definition of "hostel" the following definition —

"isolated student" means a student —

(a) who is geographically isolated for the purposes of the Assistance for Isolated Children Scheme referred to in the *Student and Youth Assistance Act 1973* of the Commonwealth; or

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(b) whose parents' principal home is isolated within the meaning of regulation 78 of the AUSTUDY Regulations 1991 of the Commonwealth;

and

(d) after the definition of "member" by deleting the semicolon and substituting a full stop.

Section 7 amended

5. (1) Section 7 (1) (a) of the principal Act is deleted and the following paragraph is substituted —

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- (a) to provide, or cause to be provided, accommodation in hostels
 - (i) for isolated students enrolled in a secondary school established under the *Education Act 1928*; and
 - subject to such conditions as the Minister may impose, for students of such other classes as are approved by the Minister;

(2) Section 7 (1) (ba) (i) of the principal Act is amended by inserting after "admission" the following —

", subject to section 7A, ".

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Section 7A inserted

6. After section 7 of the principal Act the following section is inserted —

Priority

7A. (1) Places in a hostel shall be allotted to students in the following order of priority —

- (a) students (whether isolated or not) who were accommodated in the hostel during the previous school year;
- (b) isolated students who were not accommodated in the hostel during the previous school year; and
- (c) subject to subsection (2), students of all other classes.

(2) The Minister may direct a hostel to allot places in that hostel to students referred to in subsection (1) (c) in such order of priority as the Minister thinks fit and effect is to be given to that direction.

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