SUPREME COURT (No. 2).

No. 47 of 1982.

AN ACT to amend the Supreme Court Act 1935-1982.

[Assented to 6 September 1982.]

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. (1) This Act may be cited as the Supreme and citation. Court Amendment Act (No. 2) 1982.
- (2) In this Act the Supreme Court Act 1935-1982 Reprinted as referred to as the principal Act.

 Reprinted as approved 12 May 1980 and amended is referred to as the principal Act.

by Acts Nos. 3, 7 and 10 of 1982.

(3) The principal Act as amended by this Act may be cited as the Supreme Court Act 1935-1982.

Commencement. 2. This Act shall come into operation on a day to be fixed by proclamation.

Section 32 repealed and substituted and section 33 repealed.

- Court may order prejudgment interest.
- 3. Sections 32 and 33 of the principal Act are repealed and the following section is substituted—
 - " 32. (1) In any proceedings for the recovery of any money (including any debt or damages or the value of any goods), the Court may order that there shall be included, in the sum for which judgment is given, interest at such rate as it thinks fit on the whole or any part of the money for the whole or any part of the period between the date when the cause of action arose and the date when the judgment takes effect.
 - (2) This section does not-
 - (a) authorize the giving of interest upon interest;
 - (b) apply in relation to any debt upon which interest is payable as of right whether by virtue of any agreement or otherwise; or
 - (c) affect the damages recoverable for the dishonour of a bill of exchange.
 - (3) This section applies to proceedings in a Local Court, except where the sum for which judgment is given does not exceed \$750. ".