GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS (No. 2).

No. 66 of 1975.

AN ACT to amend section twenty-eight of the Government Railways Act, 1904-1973.

Assented to 7th November, 1975.]

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

(1) This Act may be cited as the Government Short title and citation. 1. Railways Act Amendment Act (No. 2), 1975.

(2) In this Act the Government Railways Act, Reprinted as approved for reprint 12th June, 1973, is referred to as the principal Act. 1904-1973, is referred to as the principal Act.

(3) The principal Act as amended by this Act ^{by Acts Nos.} may be cited as the Government Railways Act, 1904-1975.

Section 28 amended.

2. Section 28 of the principal Act is amended-

- (a) by deleting the passage "28. The", in line one, and substituting the passage "28. (1) Subject to the provisions of subsection (2) of this section, the";
- (b) by deleting the paragraph designations "(1)", "(2)", "(3)", "(4)", and "(5)" and substituting for those respective designations the designations "(a)", "(b)", "(c)", "(d)", and "(e)";
- (c) by deleting the passage commencing with the word "section", in line sixteen and ending with the word "years", in line eighteen, and substituting the word "section"; and
- (d) by adding a new subsection as follows—

(2) No contract made by the Commission pursuant to the powers conferred by subsection (1) of this section the performance of which appears likely at the time of the execution of the contract to extend over a period of more than five years shall take or have effect unless—

- (a) being a contract the performance of which appears to be likely to extend for a period of twenty years or less, it is ratified by the Minister; or
- (b) in any other case, it is laid before each House of Parliament as though it were in fact a regulation to which the provisions of section thirty-six of the Interpretation Act, 1918, applied and neither House of Parliament passes a resolution disallowing the contract, of which resolution notice is given, within fourteen sitting days (whether or not those days, or some of them, do

not occur in the same session of Parliament or during the same Parliament as that in which the contract is laid before such House).