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THE CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACTS.

At the Executive Council Chamber, Melbourne, the
twenty-seventh day of January, 1953.

PRESENT:

His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

Mr. Cain	Mr. Galvin
Mr. Coleman	Mr. Slater
Mr. Barry	Mr. Stoneham
Mr. Hayes	Mr. Fraser
Mr. Shepherd	Mr. Holt
Mr. Merrifield	Mr. Galbally
Mr. Smith	Mr. Scully.

ARRANGEMENT BETWEEN THE COMMONWEALTH AND THE STATE OF VICTORIA MAKING PRO- VISION FOR THE USE OF THE JOINT ELECTORAL ROLLS FOR STATE ELECTIONS AS WELL AS FOR COMMONWEALTH ELECTIONS.

WHEREAS by The Constitution Act Amendment Acts it is amongst other things provided that the Governor in Council may arrange with the Governor-General of the Commonwealth for the preparation, alteration, and revision of rolls of electors for the Legislative Assembly and the Legislative Council jointly by the State of Victoria and the Commonwealth to the intent that the rolls may be used as electoral rolls for Commonwealth elections as well as for State elections:

And whereas a document (hereinafter called an "Arrangement") has now been prepared to give effect to the aforesaid provision of the said Acts, and such Arrangement has been executed on behalf of the Commonwealth:

And whereas it has been made to appear to the Governor in Council that such Arrangement should be approved and executed on behalf of the State of Victoria:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor of the State of Victoria, by and with the advice of the Executive Council thereof, and in pursuance of the powers conferred by The Constitution Act Amendment Acts and all other powers him thereunto enabling, doth, by this Order, approve the subjoined Arrangement and authorize the execution thereof on behalf of the State of Victoria.

And the Honorable Leslie William Galvin, Her Majesty's Chief Secretary for the State of Victoria, shall give the necessary directions herein accordingly.

A. MAHLSTEDT,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA. STATE OF VICTORIA.

ARRANGEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNOR- GENERAL OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUS- TRALIA AND THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF VICTORIA FOR THE PREPARATION, ALTERATION, AND REVISION OF ELECTORAL ROLLS IN VICTORIA.

Whereas on the twenty-second day of January One thousand nine hundred and twenty-four His Excellency the Governor-General in and over the Commonwealth of Australia acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council (hereinafter called "the Governor-General in Council") and His Excellency the Governor in and over the State of Victoria acting with the advice of the Executive Council of the said State (hereinafter called "the Governor in Council") in pursuance of the powers them enabling entered into an arrangement for the preparation alteration and revision of electoral rolls jointly by the Commonwealth and the State to the intent that the rolls may be used for Commonwealth elections and also for elections for the Legislative Assembly of the State (hereinafter called "the Assembly arrangement"): And whereas on the twenty-first day of September One thousand nine hundred and thirty-six the Governor-General in Council and the Governor in Council in pursuance of the powers them enabling entered into an arrangement for the purpose of making provision for the compilation revision and maintenance of rolls of electors for the Legislative Council of the State by Commonwealth officers which arrangement was varied by the parties thereto by an agreement dated the twenty-third day of June One thousand nine hundred and forty-eight (the last-mentioned arrangement and the said agreement being hereinafter collectively called "the Council arrangement"): And whereas the Governor-General in Council and the Governor in Council have agreed that on and from the date of execution hereof there shall be substituted for the Assembly arrangement and the Council arrangement the provisions hereinafter appearing: Now these presents witness that pursuant to the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918-1949* and The Constitution Act Amendment Acts and all other powers them enabling the Governor-General in Council and the Governor in Council hereby mutually arrange for the preparation alteration and revision of the electoral rolls jointly by the Commonwealth and the State (to the intent that the rolls may be used for Commonwealth elections as well as for elections for the Legislative Assembly and Legislative Council of the State) as follows:—

1. The same persons shall be appointed electoral registrars under the laws of the Commonwealth and those of the State and to the fullest extent practicable the Commonwealth Divisional Returning Officers shall be appointed electoral registrars.

2. The electoral registrars shall subject to the provisions of the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918-1949* and of The Constitution Act Amendment Acts of the State act under the joint instructions of the Chief Electoral Officer for the Commonwealth and the Chief Electoral Officer for the State.

3. Whenever necessary steps shall be taken on the part of the Commonwealth to alter the boundaries of Commonwealth subdivisions in the State so that each such subdivision shall be as far as practicable in one Legislative Assembly district and one Legislative Council province only and on the part of the State to divide Legislative Assembly districts and Legislative Council provinces into subdivisions as far as practicable co-terminous with the Commonwealth subdivisions.

4. Whenever necessary steps shall be taken for the preparation of new electoral rolls under the laws of the Commonwealth and those of the State for each Commonwealth electoral division and subdivision in the State and for each Legislative Assembly district and subdivision and each Legislative Council province and subdivision to the intent that each roll so prepared shall be a joint roll in all cases.

5. Each joint roll so prepared shall contain all matters required by the electoral laws of the Commonwealth and of the State to be contained in rolls and may contain any matters authorized by those laws including footnotes references or distinguishing marks necessary or convenient to indicate that any person whose name appears thereon is not eligible to vote at any Commonwealth or State election or to indicate any other matter necessary or convenient to be indicated thereon for any purpose in connexion with the joint rolls.

6. So far as practicable joint forms shall be prepared complying with the requisites of the electoral laws of the Commonwealth and those of the State for the purposes of additions to and alterations of rolls and for other matters incidental to those purposes.

7. The Chief Electoral Officer for the State shall for the purpose of carrying out any duty imposed upon him under any law of the State have the right at all reasonable times to inspect claims in respect of existing enrolments received from electors and preserved in the Commonwealth Electoral Office at Melbourne.

8. (1) Subject to the payment by the State to the Commonwealth of an amount of Nine hundred pounds in each financial year to cover the estimated cost of allowances

to officers for extra duty involved in the preparation of rolls for Legislative Council election purposes the Commonwealth shall meet the cost of maintaining the central Commonwealth Electoral Office and the offices of the Divisional Returning Officers in Victoria and all other expenses in connexion with the joint rolls except in relation to expenditure under the following heads which shall be shared equally by the Commonwealth and the State, namely:—

- (a) The printing and binding of joint electoral rolls and the material therefor;
- (b) The printing of books forms and other printed matter used for joint electoral purposes and the material therefor;
- (c) Special payments to officers of the State as may be agreed upon by the State and the Commonwealth.

(2) The State shall make available the services of the police in the joint interest for the purposes of electoral inquiries and canvasses subject only to any payments required pursuant to paragraph (c) of sub-clause (1) of this clause.

9. This arrangement shall be published in the *Commonwealth Gazette* and in the *Government Gazette* of Victoria and shall come into force forthwith.

10. This arrangement may be terminated by not less than twelve months' notice in writing given by the Governor of the State to the Governor-General of the Commonwealth or by the Governor-General of the Commonwealth to the Governor of the State on behalf of the State and the Commonwealth respectively or may be terminated at any time by mutual arrangement.

Dated the thirtieth day of October One thousand nine hundred and fifty-two.

W. J. MCKELL,
Governor-General.

By Command of His Excellency the Governor-General,
W. S. KENT HUGHES,
Minister of State for the Interior.

E. F. HERRING,
Lieutenant-Governor of the State of Victoria.

By Command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria,

L. W. GALVIN,
Chief Secretary.