CONSTITUTION ALTERATION (SOCIAL SERVICES).

**No. 81 of 1946.**

An Act to alter the Constitution by empowering the Parliament to make Laws for the Provision of Maternity Allowances, Widows’ Pensions, Child Endowment, Unemployment, Pharmaceutical, Sickness and Hospital Benefits, Medical and Dental Services, Benefits to Students and Family Allowances.

[Assented to 19th December, 1946.]

**Preamble.**

BE it enacted by the King’s Most Excellent Majesty, the Senate, and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, with the approval of the electors, as required by the Constitution, as follows:—

**Short title.**

1. This Act may be cited as the *Constitution Alteration* (*Social Services*)1946.

**Social services.**

**2.** Section fifty-one of the Constitution is altered by inserting after paragraph (xxiii.) the following paragraph:—

“(xxiiia.) The provision of maternity allowances, widows’ pensions, child endowment, unemployment, pharmaceutical, sickness and hospital benefits, medical and dental services (but not so as to authorize any form of civil conscription), benefits to students and family allowances:”.