ACTS INTERPRETATION.

No. 69 of 1957.

An Act to amend the Acts Interpretation Act 1901-1950.

[Assented to 5th December, 1957.]

BE it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, the Senate, and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, as follows:—

Short title and citation.

- 1.—(1.) This Act may be cited as the Acts Interpretation Act 1957.
- (2.) The Acts Interpretation Act 1901-1950* is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.
- (3.) The Principal Act, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the Acts Interpretation Act 1901-1957.

Commencement.

- 2. This Act shall come into operation on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent.
- 3. After section sixteen of the Principal Act the following sections are inserted:—

References to the Governor-General,

- "16A. Where, in an Act, the Governor-General is referred to, the reference shall, unless the contrary intention appears, be deemed to include—
 - (a) the person for the time being administering the Government of the Commonwealth; or

^{*} Act No. 2, 1901, as amended by No. 4, 1916; No. 8, 1918; No. 23, 1930; No. 24, 1932; No. 10, 1937; No. 7, 1941; No. 78, 1947; No. 79, 1948; and No. 80, 1950.

(b) where the reference occurs in or in relation to a provision conferring on the Governor-General a power or function which the Governor-General or the person administering the Government of the Commonwealth has for the time being assigned to a person as his deputy, that last-mentioned person in his capacity as deputy,

and shall, unless the contrary intention appears, be read as referring to the Governor-General, or a person so deemed to be included in the reference, acting with the advice of the Executive Council.

"16B. Where, in an Act, the Governor of a State is referred to, the reference shall, unless the contrary intention appears, a State. be deemed to include the Governor for the time being of the State or any other person who is, for the time being, the chief executive officer or administrator of the government of the State.".

4. Section seventeen of the Principal Act is amended by Constitutional and official definitions. omitting paragraph (f).