AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY REPRESENTATION.

No. 31 of 1959.

An Act to amend section six of the Australian Capital Territory Representation Act 1948-1949.

[Assented to 11th May, 1959.]

 B^E it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, the Senate, and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, as follows :---

1.—(1.) This Act may be cited as the Australian Capital Territory Representation Act 1959.

(2.) The Australian Capital Territory Representation Act 1948-1949,* as amended by this Act, may be cited as the Australian Capital Territory Representation Act 1948-1959.

2. This Act shall come into operation on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent.

Short title and citation.

Commencement.

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^{*} Act No. 57, 1948, as amended by No. 12, 1949.

3.^c Section six of the Australian Capital Territory Represen- Voting rights of (a) by omitting from sub-section (1.) the words "the next Territory. tation Act 1948-1949 is amended-

- succeeding sub-section" and inserting in their stead the words "this section ";
- (b) by omitting sub-section (2.) and inserting in its stead the following sub-sections:----

"(2.) The member representing the Australian Capital Territory may vote---

- (a) on any question arising in the House of Representatives, or in the House of Representatives sitting as a Committee of the Whole, on or in connexion with a proposed law that is determined, in accordance with the next succeeding subsection, to be a proposed law that relates solely to the Australian Capital Territory;
- (b) on any motion for the disallowance of an Ordinance of the Australian Capital Territory and on any amendment of such a motion;
- (c) on any motion for the disallowance of a regulation made under an Ordinance of the Australian Capital Territory and on any amendment of such a motion; and
- (d) on any motion for the disallowance of a modification or variation of the plan of lay-out of the city of Canberra referred to in section twelve A of the Seat of Government (Administration) Act 1910-1955 and on any amendment of such a motion.

"(2A.) For the purpose of paragraph (a) of the last preceding sub-section, the question whether a proposed law is one that relates solely to the Australian Capital Territory shall be determined—

- (a) by a ruling of the Speaker of the House of Representatives, or, in relation to proceedings in the House of Representatives sitting as a Committee of the Whole, by a ruling of the Chairman of Committees of the House of Representatives; or
- (b) if objection is taken to the ruling of the Speaker or of the Chairman, by the House of Representatives or the House of Representatives sitting as a Committee of the Whole, as the case may be."; and

- (c) by adding at the end thereof the following sub-section:—
 "(6.) In this section—
 - (a) references to the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall be read as including references to any member of the House of Representatives for the time being acting as Speaker or occupying the Chair as Deputy Speaker; and
 - (b) references to the Chairman of Committees of the House of Representatives shall be read as including references to any member of the House of Representatives for the time being acting as Temporary Chairman of Committees.".