**Repatriation (Far East Strategic Reserve)**

**No. 81 of 1972**

An Act to amend the *Repatriation* (*Far East Strategic Reserve*) *Act* 1956–1966 so as to provide Benefits for certain Student Children.

[*Assented to 27 September 1972*]

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 *Repatriation* (*Far East Strategic Reserve*) *Act* 1972.

(2.) The *Repatriation* (*Far East Strategic Reserve*) *Act* 1956–1966 is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

(3.) The Principal Act, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the *Repatriation* (*Far East Strategic Reserve*) *Act* 1956–1972.

**Commencement.**

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

**Interpretation.**

**3.** Section 3 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting from sub-section (1.) the definition of “child” and inserting in its stead the following definition:—

“ ‘child’, in relation to a member of the Forces, means a son, step-son or adopted son, or a daughter, step-daughter or adopted daughter, of the member—

(*a*)who is under the age of sixteen years; or

(*b*)who—

(i) has attained the age of sixteen years but is under the age of twenty-one years;

(ii) is receiving full-time education at a school, college or university; and

(iii) is not in receipt of an invalid pension under Part III. of the *Social Services Act* 1947–1972;”.

**Extension of certain provisions of Repatriation Act.**

**4.** Section 7 of the Principal Act is amended—

(*a*) by omitting sub-paragraph (iii) of paragraph (*b*)of sub-section (2.) and inserting in its stead the following sub-paragraphs:—

“(iii) a child (other than an ex-nuptial child) of a member of the Forces;

(iii*a*) an ex-nuptial child of a member of the Forces, being a child who—

(A) was born not later than nine months after the commencement of the member’s Malayan service; or

(B) has been adopted by the member;”; and

(*b*)by omitting sub-paragraph (ii) of paragraph (*c*) of sub-section (2.) and inserting in its stead the following sub-paragraphs:—

“(ii) a child (other than an ex-nuptial child) of a member of the Forces;

(ii*a*) an ex-nuptial child of a member of the Forces, being a child who—

(A) was born not later than nine months after the termination of the member’s Malayan service; or

(B) has been adopted by the member; and”.

**Regulations.**

**5**. Section 13 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting from sub-paragraph (ii) of paragraph (*a*)of sub-section (1.) the words “whether under the age of sixteen years or not” and inserting in their stead the words “whether children as denned by section three of this Act or not”.