**Commonwealth Employees’ Furlough Act 1973**

**No. 210 of 1973**

**AN ACT**

To amend the *Commonwealth Employees*’ *Furlough Act* 1943–1968.

[*Assented to 19 December 1973*]

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen, the Senate and the House of Representatives of Australia, as follows:—

**Short title and citation.**

**1.** (1) This Act may be cited as the *Commonwealth Employees*’ *Furlough Act* 1973.

(2) The *Commonwealth Employees*’ *Furlough Act* 1943–1968 is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

(3) The Principal Act, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the *Commonwealth Employees*’ *Furlough Act* 1943–1973.

**Commencement.**

**2.**This Act shall be deemed to have come into operation on 1 January 1973.

**Period of service.**

**3.** Section 6 of the Principal Act is amended—

(a) by omitting from sub-section (4) the words “Except in the event of his discharge on account of unsatisfactory service, the” and substituting the word “The”; and

(b) by omitting from paragraph (a) of sub-section (4a) the words “that was not due to misconduct or to causes within his own control”.

**Grant of furlough to temporary employees.**

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

(a) by omitting from sub-section (1) the words “fifteen years” and substituting the words “ten years”; and

(b) by omitting from sub-section (2) the words “fifteen years ceases to be a Commonwealth employee (other than by discharge on account of unsatisfactory service)” and substituting the words “ten years ceases to be a Commonwealth employee,”.

**Grant of extended leave or pay in lieu to employees not entitled to furlough.**

**5.** Section 8 of the Principal Act is amended—

(a) by omitting from sub-section (1) the words “fifteen years” and substituting the words “ten years”;

(b) by omitting from paragraph (a) of sub-section (1) the words “(otherwise than by discharge on account of unsatisfactory service)”;

(c) by omitting paragraphs (c), (ca) and (d) of sub-section (1) and substituting the following paragraphs:—

“(c) where the period of service of the Commonwealth employee is less than eight years—two months; or

“(d) where the period of service of the Commonwealth employee is not less than eight years but is less than ten years—three months.”;

(d) by omitting from sub-section (2) the words “(other than by discharge on account of unsatisfactory service)”;

(e) by omitting from sub-section (3) the words “fifteen years” and substituting the words “ten years”;

(f) by omitting from sub-section (3) the words “and is not due to misconduct or to causes within his own control”;

(g) by omitting paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) of sub-section (3) and substituting the following paragraphs:—

“(a) where the period of service of the Commonwealth employee is less than eight years—two months; or

“(b) where the period of service of the Commonwealth employee is not less than eight years but is less than ten years—three months.”;

(h) by omitting sub-section (4);

(i) by omitting from sub-section (5) the words “fifteen years” and substituting the words “ten years”; and

(j) by omitting from sub-section (5) the words “and was not due to misconduct or to causes within his own control “.

**Conduct of employee to be taken into account.**

**6.**Section 10 of the Principal Act is repealed.

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