PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE AMENDMENT ACT 1976

No. 70 of 1976

An Act to amend the Public Accounts Committee Act 1951-1973.

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

Short title and citation.

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the Public Accounts Committee ^{n.} Amendment Act 1976.¹

(2) The Public Accounts Committee Act 1951-1973² is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

(3) The Principal Act, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the *Public Accounts Committee Act* 1951-1976.

Commencement. 2. This Act shall come into operation on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent.¹

3. Section 5 of the Principal Act is amended by adding at the end thereof the following sub-section:-

- Joint Committee of Public Accounts.
- "(6) At any time at which—
- (a) there is constituted a Standing Committee of the House of Representatives known as the Expenditure Committee; and
- (b) the Chairman of that Committee is not a member of the Joint Committee of Public Accounts by virtue of an appointment under sub-section (2),

that Chairman shall, by virtue of his office as Chairman of the Expenditure Committee, be a member of the Joint Committee of Public Accounts in addition to the members referred to in sub-section (1), but is not eligible to be elected as Chairman of the last-mentioned Committee.".

Formal amendments.

4. The Principal Act is amended as set out in the Schedule.

SCHEDULE

Section 4

FORMAL AMENDMENTS

1. The following provisions of the Principal Act are amended by omitting any number expressed in words that is used to identify a section of that Act or of another Act, and substituting that number expressed in figures:—

Sections 8, 9 (3), 11 (6), 15, 16 and 21 (1).

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2. The following provisions of the Principal Act are amended by omitting the words "of this section" and "of this Act" (wherever occurring):-

Sections 11 (3) (b), 11 (5), 15, 16 and 23 (2).

3. The following provisions of the Principal Act are amended by omitting the words "to this Act":-

Sections 10 (2), 13 (2) and 14 (2).

NOTES

- 1. Act No. 70, 1976; assented to 9 June 1976.
- 2. Act No. 60, 1951, as amended by No. 79, 1965; No. 93, 1966; and No. 216, 1973 (as amended by No. 20, 1974).