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ELECTORAL AND REFERENDUM REGULATIONS (AMENDMENT) 1983 No.235

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

STATUTORY RULES 1983 NOS.

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The Electoral and Referendum Regulations provide for Commonwealth electoral administration throughout Australia. The Joint Electoral (Commonwealth and New South Wales) Regulations, the Joint Electoral (Commonwealth and Victoria) Regulations, the Joint Electoral (Commonwealth and South Australia) Regulations, and the Joint Electoral (Commonwealth and Tasmania) Regulations (the Joint Electoral Regulations), made provision for joint enrolment and joint roll maintenance in the four States concerned.

As there were doubts about the validity of the form of the Joint Electoral Regulations and as they were outmoded, they have been repealed.

With the repeal of the Joint Electoral Regulations, three consequential amendments to the Electoral and Referendum Regulations are necessary. These are effected by regulations 1 and 2 of the Electoral and Referendum Regulations (Amendment).

The purpose of amending regulation 1, is to repeal regulation 4 of the Electoral and Referendum Regulations which excludes the application of the Regulations to joint rolls.

The purpose of amending regulation 2 is to amend regulation 6 of the Electoral and Referendum Regulation by adding sub-regulations (2) and (3) to provide for (i) distinguishing marks to be placed next to the names of electors on joint rolls who are not enrolled as Commonwealth electors, and (ii) the saving of things done under the repealed Joint Electoral Regulations.

Amending regulation 3 of the Electoral and Referendum Regulations (Amendment) simply effects a statute law revision amendment to correct an error in the heading of prescribed Form 4 in the Schedule to the Regulations.

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