

## WAR SERVICE HOMES.

## No. 17 of 1927.

An Act relating to sections eighteen, eighteen A, twenty-one and twenty-eight A of the *War Service Homes Act 1918-1926*.

[Assented to 8th April, 1927.]

**B**E it enacted by the King'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 *War Service Homes Act 1927*. Short title and citation.

(2.) The *War Service Homes Act 1918-1926\** is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

(3.) The Principal Act, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the *War Service Homes Act 1918-1927*.

2. Section eighteen of the Principal Act is repealed and the following section inserted in its stead :—

“ 18.—(1.) The total cost to the Commissioner of any dwelling-house acquired or erected in pursuance of this Part shall not exceed Eight hundred pounds: Total cost of dwelling-house.

“ Provided that, where a dwelling-house is sold to two or more persons jointly under sub-section (1A.) of section nineteen of this Act, the total cost to the Commissioner may exceed Eight hundred pounds, but shall not exceed the sum of the amounts which the Commissioner could have expended if a house had been sold to each person separately :

\* Act No. 43, 1918, as amended by No. 28, 1919; No. 35, 1920; No. 18, 1923; No. 26, 1925; and No. 47, 1926.

“Provided further that the Commissioner may, where he is satisfied that it is necessary so to do in order to accommodate the family or dependants of an eligible person—

- (a) acquire or erect a dwelling-house the total cost of which to the Commissioner exceeds Eight hundred pounds, but does not exceed Nine hundred and fifty pounds; or
- (b) make, or authorize the making of, additions to a dwelling-house acquired or erected in pursuance of this Part, but so that the total cost to the Commissioner does not exceed Nine hundred and fifty pounds.

“(2.) For the purpose of ascertaining the total cost of a dwelling-house to the Commissioner, there shall be added to the cost of the dwelling-house, including additions (if any), the cost of the land on which it is erected.”.

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for sewerage,  
water, gas, and  
electric services

3. Section eighteen A of the Principal Act is amended by omitting sub-section (2.) and inserting in its stead the following sub-sections:—

“(2.) The cost allotted to a dwelling-house under this section shall not be included in reckoning the total cost of the dwelling-house for the purpose of section eighteen of this Act, or the total amount which may be advanced under section twenty-one of this Act.

“(3.) The cost so allotted shall be a charge against the purchaser of, or borrower in respect of, the dwelling-house, and the Commissioner may require him to refund the amount of that cost by such instalments as the Commissioner determines.

“(4.) The provisions of section thirty-six of this Act shall apply in like manner in relation to instalments due to the Commissioner under this section as they apply in relation to instalments payable in respect of any contract of sale or advance under this Act.”.

4. Section twenty-one of the Principal Act is repealed and the following section inserted in its stead:—

Maximum  
advance.

“21.—(1.) The amount of the advance which may be made to any applicant under this Part shall be the amount (not exceeding ninety per centum of the total value of the property in respect of which the advance is made) which the Commissioner considers necessary in order to give effect to the purpose for which the advance is made, but the amount of the advance shall not exceed the sum of Eight hundred pounds:

“Provided that, where an advance is made under sub-section (2.) of section twenty of this Act to two or more persons jointly, the amount of the advance may exceed Eight hundred pounds, but shall not exceed the sum of the amounts which could have been advanced if the advances had been made separately:

“ Provided further that the Commissioner may, where he is satisfied that it is necessary so to do in order to accommodate the family or dependants of an eligible person, make an advance exceeding Eight hundred pounds, but not exceeding Nine hundred and fifty pounds.

“(2.) For the purposes of this section ‘ total value of the property ’ means such sum as, in the opinion of the Commissioner, will be the total value of the land and dwelling-house upon the completion of the work for which the advance is applied for.”.

5. Section twenty-eight A of the Principal Act is repealed.

Limit of  
expenditure.