

SOCIAL SERVICES CONSOLIDATION.

No. 16 of 1949.

An Act to amend the *Social Services Consolidation Act 1947-1948*, and for other purposes.

[Assented to 29th June, 1949.]

BE 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 *Social Services Consolidation Act 1949*. Short title and citation.

(2.) The *Social Services Consolidation Act 1947-1948** is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

(3.) The Principal Act, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the *Social Services Consolidation Act 1947-1949*.

Commencement. 2.—(1.) Except as provided by the next succeeding sub-section, this Act shall come into operation on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent.

(2.) Sections three and four of this Act shall come into operation on the first day of July, One thousand nine hundred and forty-nine.

Repeal and saving. 3.—(1.) The *Invalid and Old-age Pensions (Reciprocity with New Zealand) Act 1943* is repealed.

(2.) A pension which was granted by virtue of the Act repealed by this section and was in force immediately prior to the commencement of this section shall, unless the agreement on social security made between the Commonwealth and New Zealand on the fifteenth day of April, One thousand nine hundred and forty-nine, provides for the continuance of that pension as a pension deemed to be granted by virtue of that agreement, continue in force, for so long as the Director-General is satisfied that the pensioner is residing temporarily in Australia, as if the Act repealed by this section, and the agreement executed in pursuance of that Act, had remained in force.

Savings. 4. Section four of the Principal Act is amended by omitting sub-section (3.).

Amount of wife's allowance. 5. Section thirty-three of the Principal Act is amended by omitting from sub-section (1.) the words "Fifty-two pounds" and inserting in their stead the words "Sixty-two pounds eight shillings".

Child's allowance. 6. Section thirty-four of the Principal Act is amended by omitting from sub-section (6.) the words "Thirteen pounds" and inserting in their stead the words "Twenty-three pounds eight shillings".

The Schedule. 7. The Schedule to the Principal Act is amended—
(a) by inserting before the words "*(Employers' Contributions)*" the word "*Insurance*"; and
(b) by inserting before the words "*(Employees' Contributions)*" the word "*Insurance*".

* Act No. 26, 1947, as amended by Nos. 38 and 69, 1948.