**Northern Territory Representation**

**No. 11 of 1968**

An Act relating to the Representation of the Northern Territory of Australia in the House of Representatives.

[Assented to 15 May 1968]

BE it enacted by the Queen’s Most Excellent Majesty, the Senate, and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, as follows:—

**Short title and citation.**

**1.**—(1.) This Act may be cited as the *Northern Territory Representation Act* 1968.

(2.) The *Northern Territory Representation Act* 1922-1959 is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

(3.) The Principal Act, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the *Northern Territory Representation Act* 1922-1968.

**Commencement.**

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

**3.** After section 2 of the Principal Act the following section is inserted:—

**Definition.**

“2a. In this Act ‘the Northern Territory’ means the Northern Territory of Australia.”.

**4.** Sections 4, 5 and 6 of the Principal Act are repealed and the following section inserted in their stead:—

**Powers, immunities and privileges of member.**

“6. The member representing the Northern Territory has all the powers, immunities and privileges of a member representing an Electoral Division of a State and the representation of the Northern Territory shall be on the same terms as the representation of such an Electoral Division.”.

**Application of Commonwealth Electoral Act.**

**5.** Section 7 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting from paragraph (*c*) the words “Northern Territory” and inserting in their stead the words “Northern Territory of Australia”.

**Lodging and hearing of petitions.**

**6.** Section 8a of the Principal Act is amended—

(*a*) by omitting from sub-section (1.) the words “Clerk of the Supreme Court of the Northern Territory at Darwin” and inserting in their stead the words “Master of the Supreme Court of the Northern Territory of Australia”;

(*b*) by omitting from sub-section (2.) the words “Clerk of the Supreme Court of the Northern Territory” and inserting in their stead the words “Master of the Supreme Court of the Northern Territory of Australia”;

(*c*) by omitting from paragraph (*b*) of sub-section (3.) the words “Northern Territory” and inserting in their stead the words “Northern Territory of Australia”;

(*d*) by omitting from sub-section (4.) the words “Clerk of the Supreme Court of the Northern Territory” and inserting in their stead the words “Master of the Supreme Court of the Northern Territory of Australia”; and

(*e*) by omitting from sub-sections (5.), (6.) and (7.) the words “Northern Territory” (wherever occurring) and inserting in their stead the words “Northern Territory of Australia”.