

1929-30-31.

A BILL
FOR
AN ACT

To amend the *Northern Territory (Administration) Act 1910-1931*.

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 *Northern Territory (Administration) Act (No. 2) 1931*. Short title and citation.

(2.) Sub-section (3.) of section one of the *Northern Territory (Administration) Act 1931* is repealed.

(3.) The *Northern Territory (Administration) Act 1910-1926*, as amended by the *Northern Territory (Administration) Act 1931* and by this Act, may be cited as the *Northern Territory (Administration) Act 1910-1931*.

2. This Act shall be deemed to have commenced upon the date of the commencement of the *Northern Territory (Administration) Act 1931*. Commencement.

3. After

3. After section four of the *Northern Territory (Administration) Act 1910-1926*, as amended by the *Northern Territory (Administration) Act 1931*, the following section is inserted:—

Appointment
of Deputy
Administrator.

“4A.—(1.) The Governor-General may authorize the Administrator to appoint any person to be the deputy of the Administrator within any part of the Territory, and in that capacity to exercise during the pleasure of the Administrator such powers and functions of the Administrator as he thinks fit to assign to such deputy subject to any limitations expressed or directions given by the Minister. 5

“(2.) The appointment of a deputy shall not affect the exercise or performance by the Administrator himself of any power or function.” 10

4. After section seventeen of the *Northern Territory (Administration) Act 1910-1926*, as amended by the *Northern Territory (Administration) Act 1931*, the following section is inserted:—

Preservation
of rights of
officers and
Commissioners.

“17A. Any person who was a member or officer of the North Australia Commission constituted under the Act repealed by this Act and who— 15

(a) held office in that capacity immediately prior to the commencement of this section ;

(b) on becoming such member or officer retained his existing and accruing rights by virtue of section thirteen or section fourteen of the Act so repealed ; and 20

(c) is continued in employment by the Commonwealth or any authority under the Commonwealth

shall in such employment retain his existing and accruing rights and, for that purpose, his service as such member or officer shall be included as part of his service in such employment.” 25