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## No. 47 of 1959

An Act to amend the Births and Deaths Registration Act, 1936-1947.

[Assented to 17th December, 1959.]

BE IT ENACTED by the Governor of the State of South Australia, with the advice and consent of the Parliament thereof, as follows :

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the "Births and Deaths Registration Act Amendment Act, 1959". Short titles.
- (2) The Births and Deaths Registration Act, 1936-1947, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the "Births and Deaths Registration Act, 1936-1959".
- (3) The Births and Deaths Registration Act, 1936-1947, is hereinafter referred to as "the principal Act".
2. This Act shall come into operation on a day to be fixed by proclamation. Commencement of this Act.
3. This Act is incorporated with the principal Act and that Act and this Act shall be read as one Act. Incorporation.
4. Section 15 of the principal Act is amended—
  - (a) by striking out the words "in the presence of the district registrar or an assistant district registrar of the district in which the child was born" in subsection (2) thereof; and Amendment of s. 15 of the principal Act— Duties of parents and registrars with respect to registration of births.

- (b) by inserting after the words "assistant district registrar" in subsection (3) thereof the words "who receives the information statement".

Amendment of  
principal Act,  
s. 19—  
Registration of  
illegitimate  
child.

**5.** Section 19 of the principal Act is amended—

- (a) by inserting after the word "shall" in subsection (5) thereof the passage "if the birth has been registered by a district registrar or an assistant district registrar,"; and
- (b) by striking out the words "A district registrar or assistant district registrar shall" in subsection (7) thereof and inserting in lieu thereof the passage "The principal registrar, a district registrar or assistant district registrar shall, as occasion requires,".

Amendment of  
principal Act,  
s. 20—  
Late  
registration  
of births.

**6.** Section 20 of the principal Act is amended by inserting after the words "date of the birth" in subdivision 1 of subsection (1) thereof the words "by the principal registrar or by a district registrar".

Amendment of  
principal Act,  
s. 22—  
Certificate for  
addition to  
name.

**7.** Section 22 of the principal Act is amended—

- (a) by striking out the words "district registrar" first occurring in subsection (1) thereof and inserting in lieu thereof the passage "principal registrar or the district registrar having possession of the register in which the birth is registered, the principal registrar or";
- (b) by striking out the word "The" being the first word of subsection (2) thereof and inserting in lieu thereof the passage, "Where such certificate is given by a district registrar, the"; and
- (c) by striking out the word "The" being the first word of the second sentence in subsection (2) thereof and inserting in lieu thereof the passage, "Where such certificate is given by the principal registrar, the".

Amendment of  
principal Act,  
s. 28—  
Notification  
of deaths.

**8.** Section 28 of the principal Act is amended—

- (a) by striking out the words, "in the presence of the district registrar or assistant district registrar of the district in which the death occurred" in subsection (2) thereof; and

- (b) by inserting after the words "assistant district registrar" in subsection (3) thereof the words "who receives the information statement".

9. Section 29 of the principal Act is amended by inserting after the words "date of the death" in sub-division II of subsection (1) thereof, the words "by the principal registrar or by a district registrar".

Amendment of  
principal Act,  
s. 29—  
Late  
registration  
of deaths.

10. Section 31 of the principal Act is amended—

- (a) by striking out the word "district" wherever it occurs in subsections (1) and (2) thereof and inserting in lieu thereof the word "principal"; and

Amendment of  
principal Act,  
s. 31—  
Notification of  
result of  
inquest.

- (b) by adding at the end thereof a new subsection as follows:—

(3) Where a coroner or justice of the peace certifies under subdivision III of section 5 of the Cremation Act, 1891-1936, that the cause of a death has been duly inquired into and that no further examination of the body is necessary, the death may be registered before the verdict is given but the coroner or justice shall, as soon as the verdict is given, notify the principal registrar of the verdict and furnish him with such particulars relating to the death as are required to be furnished in an information statement in accordance with this Part, and the principal registrar shall thereupon insert in his records relating to the registration of the death such particulars as are appropriate, including the cause of the death.

11. Section 32 of the principal Act is amended—

- (a) by inserting after the word "The" being the first word in subsection (1) thereof, the words "principal registrar";

Amendment of  
principal Act,  
s. 32—  
Delivery of  
registration  
certificate to  
undertaker.

- (b) by inserting after the words "notice of the facts to" in subsection (3) thereof the passage "the principal registrar, or to";

- (c) by inserting after the words "delivered by" in subsection (4) thereof the words "the principal registrar or".

Enactment of  
principal Act,  
s. 32a—

**12.** The following new section is enacted and inserted in the principal Act after section 32 thereof :—

Production of  
documents for  
registration of  
death.

**32a.** Except as is otherwise expressly provided in this Part a death shall not be registered by a principal registrar, district registrar or an assistant district registrar unless there has been produced to him in relation to the deceased person either—

(a) a certificate referred to in section 35 of this Act ;  
or

(b) an order referred to in subsection (4) of section 32 of this Act.

Amendment of  
principal Act,  
s. 33—  
Burials.

**13.** Section 33 of the principal Act is amended by striking out the words “the last preceding section” in subsection (1) thereof and inserting in lieu thereof the passage “section 32 of this Act” and by striking out paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (1) thereof and inserting in lieu thereof the following paragraphs :—

(a) a certificate referred to in section 35 of this Act ; or

(b) an order referred to in subsection (4) of section 32 of this Act.

Amendment of  
principal Act,  
s. 34—  
Non-applica-  
tion to crema-  
tions.

**14.** Section 34 of the principal Act is amended by striking out the words “the two preceding sections” in line one thereof and inserting in lieu thereof the passage “sections 32, 32a and 33 of this Act”.

In the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, I hereby assent to this Bill.

R. A. GEORGE, Governor.