

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

**INTERPRETATION AMENDMENT
(AUSTRALIA ACTS) ACT 1994**

No. 85 of 1984

AN ACT to amend the *Interpretation Act 1984*.

[Assented to 20 December 1994.]

The Parliament of Western Australia enacts as follows:

Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the *Interpretation Amendment (Australia Acts) Act 1994*.

Commencement

2. This Act is deemed to have come into operation immediately after the commencement of the Australia Acts.

Principal Act

3. In this Act the *Interpretation Act 1984** is referred to as the principal Act.

[* *Reprinted as at 4 November 1992.*
For subsequent amendments see Act No. 6 of 1993.]

Section 5 amended

4. Section 5 of the principal Act is amended by inserting after the definition of "Australia" the following definition —

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"Australia Acts" means —

- (a) the *Australia Act 1986* of the Commonwealth; and
- (b) the *Australia Act 1986* of the United Kingdom;

"

Section 76A inserted

5. After section 76 of the principal Act the following section is inserted —

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Declaration of validity of certain laws

76A. (1) Each provision of an Act or subsidiary legislation enacted or made, or purporting to have

been enacted or made, before the commencement of the Australia Acts —

- (a) has the same effect as it would have had; and
- (b) is as valid as it would have been,

if the Australia Acts had been in operation at the time of its enactment or making, or purported enactment or making.

(2) Subsection (1) is not intended to, and is not to be given effect so as to —

- (a) invalidate any enactment that was valid immediately before the commencement of the Australia Acts; or
- (b) invalidate any Act because it was assented to by the Sovereign rather than the Governor.

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