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An Act to amend the Film Classification Act, 1971.

[Assented to 6th December, 1973]

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 ‘‘Film Classification Act Amendment Act (No. 1), 1973’’.

(2) The Film Classification Act, 1971, is hereinafter referred to as ‘‘the principal Act’’.

(3) The principal Act, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the ‘‘Film Classification Act, 1971-1973’’.

2. Section 6 of the principal Act is amended—

(a) by inserting after subsection (3) the following subsection:—

(3a) A person who assists a child between the age of two and eighteen years to enter, or gain admission to a theatre in which a film to which a restricted classification has been assigned is being, or is about to be, exhibited shall be guilty of an offence and liable to a penalty not exceeding two hundred dollars;
and

(b) by inserting after subsection (4) the following subsections:

(5) Where a film to which a restricted classification has been assigned is being, or is about to be, exhibited in a theatre, the exhibitor or a person who is in the employment of the exhibitor may require any person who seeks admission to the theatre—

(a) to state his correct age;

or

(b) where the exhibitor or employee suspects that the age as stated may be incorrect, require that person to produce other satisfactory evidence of his age.

(6) Any statement or evidence obtained pursuant to a requirement under subsection (5) of this section shall be admissible in any legal proceedings against the person by whom the statement or evidence was made or furnished.

(7) Any person who fails to comply with a requirement under subsection (6) of this section, or who, in response to such a requirement, makes a false statement, or furnishes false evidence, shall be guilty of an offence and liable to a penalty not exceeding one hundred dollars.

3. The following section is enacted and inserted in the principal Act immediately after section 11 thereof:

11b. (1) Where, in the opinion of the Minister, it is possible for a person, while a film is being exhibited in a theatre, to observe the exhibition of the film from a place outside the theatre, the Minister may, by order in writing served upon the proprietor of the theatre, prohibit the exhibition of any film to which a restricted classification has been assigned in that theatre.

(2) The Minister may by notice in writing served on the proprietor of a theatre revoke an order made under this section in relation to that theatre.
(3) Where a film to which a restricted classification has been assigned is exhibited in a theatre in relation to which an order is in force under this section the exhibitor of the film and the proprietor of the theatre shall each be guilty of an offence and liable to a penalty not exceeding two thousand dollars.

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

M. L. OLIPHANT, Governor