No. 37 of 1981

An Act to amend the Election of Senators Act, 1903-1978.

[Assented to 19 March 1981]

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 "Election of Senators Act Amendment Act, 1981".

(2) The Election of Senators Act, 1903-1978, is in this Act referred to as the principal Act”.

(3) The principal Act, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the “Election of Senators Act, 1903-1981”.

2. Section 2 of the principal Act is repealed and the following sections are substituted:

2. (1) For the purpose of the election of Senators for this State to the Senate of the Commonwealth, the Governor may, by proclamation—

(a) fix the date for the issue of the writ;

(b) appoint a place for the nomination of candidates and fix a date (referred to in this Act as "the day of nomination") on or before which candidates must be nominated;

(c) fix the date for the polling;

(d) fix a date on or before which the writ must be returned.

(2) Nomination must be made after the issue of the writ and before twelve o’clock noon on the day of nomination.

(3) The polling shall take place at all polling places within the State appointed under the law of the Commonwealth for the time being in force for the regulation of Parliamentary elections.
3. Within twenty days before or after the date fixed for the polling, the Governor may, by proclamation—

(a) extend the time for holding the election;

(b) extend the time for returning the writ;

(c) provide for meeting any difficulty that might otherwise interfere with the due course of the election.

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

K. D. SEAMAN, Governor