No. 1276.

An Act to amend the Friendly Societies Act, 1886, the Friendly Societies Amendment Act, 1892, the Friendly Societies Amendment Act, 1894 (being the Act No. 610 of 1894), and for other purposes.

[Assented to, November 1st, 1917.]

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

1. This Act may be cited as the “Friendly Societies Further Amendment Act, 1917.”

2. This Act is incorporated with—

1. the Friendly Societies Act, 1886, and all Acts incorporated with that Act;

2. the Friendly Societies Amendment Act, 1892, and all Acts incorporated with that Act; and

3. the Friendly Societies Amendment Act, 1894, and all Acts incorporated with that Act.

3. In this Act, except where some other meaning is clearly intended—

“Society” means and includes—

(a) every society specified in Schedule A to the Friendly Societies Act, 1886, or in the Schedule to the Friendly Societies Amendment Act, 1908,

(b) the
Chief Secretary may authorise transfers from one fund to another fund.

Power to add name of any society to Schedule to Friendly Societies Amendment Act, 1908.

Power to Friendly Societies to invest in Commonwealth securities.

Amendment of Act 568, 1892, s. 15. Appropriation of interest on surplus funds. Validation and saving of past proceedings.

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(b) the Independent Order of Oddfellows Manchester Unity Friendly Society in South Australia, referred to in the Manchester Unity of Oddfellows Act, 1874, and

c) every Friendly Society established or enrolled under the Act No. 22 of 1852, intituled "An Act to regulate Friendly Societies."

"Branch" means and includes every branch now or hereafter established by any society.

4. Notwithstanding anything contained in section 4 of the Friendly Societies Amendment Act, 1894 (being the Act No. 610 of 1894), the Chief Secretary may, on the application in writing of a society, by writing under his hand authorise the transfer of moneys from any one fund to any other fund of such society or of a branch thereof, and such society or branch may thereupon make such transfer: Provided that no society or branch shall be authorised to make any transfer of moneys from any fund of such society or branch which assures sickness or death benefits to the members thereof.

5. The Governor may from time to time by proclamation add the name of any society to the list of societies contained in the Schedule to the Friendly Societies Amendment Act, 1908, and from the date mentioned in such proclamation such Act shall be read and construed as if the name of the society so added had been specified in the said Schedule at such date.

6. The words "or in any securities of, or guaranteed by, the Government or the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia" are inserted—

(a) after the word "province" in the fifteenth line of section 9 of the Friendly Societies Act, 1886, and

(b) after the word "province" in the fourth line of section 20 of the Friendly Societies Amendment Act, 1892.

7. The words "four and a half" are hereby substituted for the word "five" in the twenty-seventh line of section 15 of the Friendly Societies Amendment Act, 1892.

8. Anything done since the passing of the Acts incorporated herewith shall be as valid as if those Acts had been respectively passed with the amendments made by this Act, and as if the other provisions of this Act had been respectively incorporated in the said Acts on the passing thereof: Provided that nothing in this section or elsewhere in this Act shall render invalid anything done before the passing of this Act.

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

H. L. GALWAY, Governor.