

**FRIENDLY SOCIETIES.**

13° Elizabeth II., No. LXXIII.

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**No. 73 of 1964.**

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**AN ACT to amend the Friendly Societies Act, 1894-1956; and to repeal the Friendly Societies Act Amendment Act, 1930.**

[Assented to 11th December, 1964.]

**B**E it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly of Western Australia, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

Short title  
and citation.

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the *Friendly Societies Act Amendment Act, 1964.*

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and amended  
by Acts  
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37 of 1956.  
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1946, 26 of  
1948, 14 of

(2) In this Act the Friendly Societies Act, 1894-1956, is referred to as the principal Act.

(3) The principal Act as amended by this Act may be cited as the Friendly Societies Act, 1894-1964.

2. This Act shall come into operation on a date to be fixed by proclamation. Commencement.

3. Section seven of the principal Act is amended— S. 7 amended.

(a) by adding after paragraph (7), the following paragraph—

(7a) For purchasing land and buildings, or purchasing land and constructing buildings thereon, to provide hospitals for the accommodation and treatment of any persons mentioned in paragraph (1) of this section, including the furnishing and equipping of those hospitals, or joining and co-operating with any other friendly society in any such undertakings. ; and

(b) by substituting for the words, "five hundred" in the last line of the section, the words, "three thousand".

4. Section seven A of the principal Act is repealed and the following section substituted— S. 7A repealed and section substituted.

7A. (1) Where a friendly society dispensary was before the twenty-fourth day of April, nineteen hundred and sixty-four granted an approval under section ninety of the National Health Act, 1953-1964, of the Parliament of the Commonwealth to supply pharmaceutical benefits at or from particular premises and is at the date of the commencement of the Friendly Societies Act Amendment Act, 1964, carrying on at those premises a dispensary for the purpose of dispensing medicines, no provisions of this Act or of the rules of any society shall preclude or be deemed to preclude Friendly societies' dispensaries not precluded from trading.

that friendly society dispensary from carrying on with any member of the general public at those premises, or at any premises lawfully substituted for those premises, the business and trade ordinarily carried on by a pharmaceutical and dispensing chemist and druggist.

(2) Any friendly society dispensary referred to in subsection (1) of this section that is not a society registered under the provisions of this Act is deemed to be so registered, and to have been so registered since commencing to carry on a dispensary for the purpose of dispensing medicines, in respect of the dispensary at or from which medicines were at the date referred to in that subsection being dispensed, and shall carry on the dispensary in accordance with rules approved by the Minister. .

S. 8A added

5. The principal Act is amended by adding after section eight, the following section—

Validation of registration of certain societies.

8A. In order to resolve any doubt as to the validity of the registration of societies registered or purported to have been registered under section eight of this Act, it is hereby declared that every society so registered or purported to have been so registered is deemed to be, and to have been since the date of registration or purported registration, lawfully registered under the provisions of this Act, and any registration or purported registration that but for this section might be of doubtful validity is ratified as lawful and validated. .

S. 11 amended.

6. Section eleven of the principal Act is amended—

(a) by adding after paragraph (1), the following paragraph—

(1a) The rules of a society shall not be registered unless and until the Minister has approved of such rules, and shall not be valid until so registered. ;

- (b) by inserting after the word, "been" in line two of paragraph (2), the words, "approved by the Minister and"; and
- (c) by inserting after the word, "Act" in line three of paragraph (6), the words, "and has been approved by the Minister".

7. Section thirty-six of the principal Act is amended by substituting for the passage commencing with the word, "five", in line five and ending with the word, "misdemeanour", in line thirteen, the passage, "three thousand pounds by way of gross sum, from that society or branch".

S. 36  
amended.

8. The Friendly Societies Act Amendment Act, 1930, is hereby repealed.

Repeal of Act  
No. 38 of 1930.

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