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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA
THE SENATE

(Presented pursuant to leave granted and read 1^o, 9 April 1981)

(ATTORNEY-GENERAL, SENATOR DURACK)

No 68

A BILL

FOR

An Act relating to joint sittings of the Parliament

5 BE IT ENACTED by the Queen, and the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, as follows:

Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the *Parliamentary Joint Sittings Amendment Act* 1981.

Commencement

10 2. This Act shall come into operation on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent.

Amendment of Evidence Act

15 3. Section 2 of the *Evidence Act* 1905¹ is amended by adding “or held pursuant to any Act” at the end of the definition of “joint sitting of the Parliament”.

Amendment of the Parliamentary Proceedings Broadcasting Act

4. Section 3 of the *Parliamentary Proceedings Broadcasting Act 1946*² is amended by adding “or held pursuant to any Act” at the end of the definition of “joint sitting” in sub-section (1).

Amendment of the Parliamentary Papers Act

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5. Section 1A of the *Parliamentary Papers Act 1908*³ is amended by adding “or held pursuant to any Act” at the end of the definition of “joint sitting”.

NOTES

1. No. 4, 1905, as amended by No. 43, 1934; No. 80, 1950; No. 48, 1956; No. 28, 1963; No. 53, 1964; No. 80, 1973; No. 216, 1973; No. 31, 1974; No. 14, 1978; and No. 139, 1979.
2. No. 20, 1946, as amended by No. 35, 1960; No. 94, 1973; No. 216, 1973; and No. 32, 1976.
3. No. 16, 1908, as amended by No. 64, 1935; No. 35, 1946; No. 29, 1963; and No. 33, 1974.