IMMIGRATION (GUARDIANSHIP OF CHILDREN).

No. 29 of 1952.

An Act to amend the *Immigration* (Guardianship of Children) Act 1946-1948.

[Assented to 16th June, 1952.]

BE it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, the Senate, and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, as follows:—

Short title and citation.

- 1.—(1.) This Act may be cited as the *Immigration* (Guardianship of Children) Act 1952.
- (2.) The *Immigration* (Guardianship of Children) Act 1946-1948* is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.
- (3.) The Principal Act, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the *Immigration (Guardianship of Children) Act* 1946-1952.

Commencement.

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

Definitions,

- 3. Section four of the Principal Act is amended by omitting paragraph (b) of the definition of "immigrant child" and inserting in its stead the following paragraph:—
 - "(b) a person under the age of twenty-one years who enters
 Australia as an immigrant, not being a person who enters
 Australia in the charge of, or for the purpose of living in
 Australia under the care of, a parent of that person,
 or a relative of that person not less than twenty-one years
 of age."
- 4. After section four of the Principal Act the following section is inserted:—

Evidence.

"4A. For the purposes of this Act (including proceedings arising under this Act or in which a question arises as to the application of this Act to a person), a certificate in writing by a prescribed officer of the Commonwealth or of a State or Territory of the Commonwealth that a person named in the certificate is an immigrant child, or was, at a date specified in the certificate, an immigrant child, is evidence of the fact so certified."

- 5. Section eleven of the Principal Act is repealed and the following section inserted in its stead :-
- "11. The Minister may, by order in writing under his hand, Exemption of direct that the provisions of this Act shall not apply in respect of a Act. child specified in the order, or a child included in a class of children so specified, and, while the order is in force, the provisions of this Act do not apply to or in relation to that child or to a child included in that class of children.".