12. The Governor-General may make regulations, not inconsistent Regulations. with this Act, prescribing all matters which by this Act are required or permitted to be prescribed, or which are necessary or convenient to be prescribed, for carrying out or giving effect to this Act, and in particular for prescribing penalties not exceeding Fifty pounds or imprisonment not exceeding three months, or both, for any offence against the regulations.

PASSPORTS.

No. 85 of 1948.

An Act to amend the Passports Act 1938.

[Assented to 21st December, 1948.]

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

1.—(1.) This Act may be cited as the Passports Act 1948.

Short title and citation

- (2.) The Passports Act 1938* is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.
- (3.) The Principal Act, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the *Passports Act* 1938–1948.
- 2. This Act shall come into operation on the twenty-sixth day of commencement January, One thousand nine hundred and forty-nine.
 - 3. Section five of the Principal Act is amended—

Definitions.

- (a) by inserting after the definition of "Australian passport" in sub-section (1.) the following definition:—
 - "'Australian citizen' means a person who is an Australian citizen within the meaning of the Nationality and Citizenship Act 1948;";
- (b) by omitting the definition of "British subject" in that sub-section and inserting in its stead the following definition:—
 - "'British subject' means a British subject as defined in the *Nationality and Citizenship Act* 1948 and includes a protected person as defined in that Act;"; and
- (c) by omitting from the definition of "officer" in that subsection the words "the Interior" and inserting in their stead the word "Immigration".

4. Section seven of the Principal Act is repealed and the following section inserted in its stead:—

Issue of passports.

- "7.—(1.) Subject to the regulations, an officer authorized in that behalf by the Minister may issue Australian passports to Australian citizens and to British subjects who are not Australian citizens.
- "(2.) Australian passports shall be issued in the name of the Governor-General and shall be in such forms as are approved by the Minister.
- "(3.) An Australian passport in force under the *Passports Act* 1938 immediately prior to the commencement of this section shall, subject to this Act, continue in force as if issued under this Act.".

IMMIGRATION.

No. 86 of 1948.

An Act to amend the Immigration Act 1901-1940.

[Assented to 21st December, 1948.]

BE it enacted by the King'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 Act* 1948.
- (2.) The *Immigration Act* 1901–1940* 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 Act* 1901–1948.

Commencement.

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

Definitions.

- 3. Section two of the Principal Act is amended—
- (a) by inserting before the definition of "Collector of Customs" the following definition:—
 - "'Authorized officer', in relation to the exercise of any power or the discharge of any duty or function under this Act, means an officer authorized for that purpose by the Minister;";
- (b) by omitting from the definition of "Officer" the words "Department of the Interior" and inserting in their stead the words "Department of Immigration"; and

Act No. 17, 1901, as amended by No. 17, 1905; No. 19, 1905; No. 25, 1908; No. 10, 1910;
No. 38, 1912; No. 51, 1920; No. 47, 1924; No. 7, 1925; No. 56, 1930; No. 26, 1932; No. 37, 1933;
No. 13, 1935; and No. 36, 1940.