

SOCIAL SERVICES (NO. 2).

No. 98 of 1956.

An Act to amend the *Social Services Act 1947-1955*, as amended by the *Social Services Act 1956*, in consequence of the enactment of the *Repatriation (Far East Strategic Reserve) Act 1956*.

[Assented to 15th November, 1956.]

BE it enacted by the Queen'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 *Social Services Act (No. 2) 1956*. Short title and citation.

(2.) The *Social Services Act 1947-1955*,* as amended by the *Social Services Act 1956*,† is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

* Act No. 26, 1947, as amended by Nos. 38 and 69, 1948; No. 16, 1949; Nos. 6 and 26, 1950; No. 22, 1951; Nos. 41 and 107, 1952; No. 51, 1953; No. 30, 1954; and Nos. 15 and 38, 1955.
† Act No. 67, 1956.

(3.) Section one of the *Social Services Act* 1956 is amended by omitting sub-section (3.).

(4.) The Principal Act, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the *Social Services Act* 1947-1956.

Commencement. 2. This Act shall come into operation on the day on which the *Repatriation (Far East Strategic Reserve) Act* 1956 comes into operation.

Definitions. 3. Section six of the Principal Act is amended by omitting the definition of "member of the Forces" and inserting in its stead the following definition :—

“ ‘ member of the Forces ’ means a person who—

- (a) is a member of the Forces for the purposes of any of the provisions of the *Repatriation Act* 1920-1956 ;
- (b) is in receipt of a pension by virtue of section fifty-four of that Act ; or
- (c) is a member of the Forces for the purposes of the *Repatriation (Far East Strategic Reserve) Act* 1956 ; ”.

Rate of pension. 4. Section twenty-eight of the Principal Act is amended by adding at the end of sub-section (4.) the words “or under the *Repatriation (Far East Strategic Reserve) Act* 1956 ”.

Restrictions as to dual pensions. 5. Section eighty-one of the Principal Act is amended—

- (a) by omitting from paragraph (a) the word “ or ” ; and
- (b) by adding at the end thereof the following word and paragraph :—
 - “ ; or (c) under the *Repatriation (Far East Strategic Reserve) Act* 1956 in respect of the death of her husband, including a pension allowed under section eight or nine of that Act in respect of a member of the Forces referred to in whichever of those sections is applicable.”.

Interpretation. 6. Section one hundred and six of the Principal Act is amended by inserting in paragraph (f) of the definition of “ income ” in sub-section (1.), after the words “ (other than a service pension) ”, the words “, a pension payable under the *Repatriation (Far East Strategic Reserve) Act* 1956 ”.

Certificate by Director-General as to amount of pension to be deducted under certain other laws. 7. Section one hundred and forty-three A of the Principal Act is amended by adding at the end of sub-section (3.) the words “or under the *Repatriation (Far East Strategic Reserve) Act* 1956 ”.