

**ROYAL BLIND SOCIETY OF NEW SOUTH WALES
(AMENDMENT) ACT.**

New South Wales



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Act No. 3, 1970.

An Act to make further provisions with respect to membership of the Royal Blind Society of New South Wales and with respect to the election of members of the council of management thereof; for these and other purposes to amend the Royal Blind Society of New South Wales Act, 1901-1965; and for purposes connected therewith. [Assented to, 13th March, 1970.]

Royal Blind Society of New South Wales (Amendment).

No. 3, 1970 **B**E it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

Short title. **1.** This Act may be cited as the "Royal Blind Society of New South Wales (Amendment) Act, 1970".

Amendment of Act No. 56, 1901. **2.** (1) The Royal Blind Society of New South Wales Act, 1901–1965, is amended—

Subst. sec. 1, new sec. 1A. (a) by omitting section one and by inserting in lieu thereof the following sections:—

Short title. **1.** This Act may be cited as the "Royal Blind Society of New South Wales Act, 1901".

Interpretation. **1A.** In this Act, except in so far as the context or subject-matter otherwise indicates or requires, "Society" means the Royal Blind Society of New South Wales.

Subst. sec. 5, new sec. 5A, subst. sec. 6, new secs. 6A, 6B, 6C. (b) by omitting sections five and six and by inserting in lieu thereof the following sections:—

Classes of membership of the Society. **5.** There shall be two classes of members of the Society, namely—

(a) life members; and

(b) ordinary members.

Life members. **5A.** (1) The persons who are life members of the said body corporate at the commencement of the Royal Blind Society of New South Wales (Amendment) Act, 1970, shall be life members of the said body corporate without further payment of any subscription.

(2)

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(2) Where the treasurer receives from a No. 3, 1970 person the sum of one hundred dollars or more as a donation to the Society, that person shall by virtue thereof be a life member of the said body corporate without further payment of any subscription.

5B. (1) The persons who are members (not ^{Ordinary} being life members) of the said body corporate at the commencement of the Royal Blind Society of New South Wales (Amendment) Act, 1970, shall be ordinary members of the said body corporate until the thirty-first day of December, one thousand nine hundred and seventy-one without further payment of any subscription in respect of the period between that commencement and that day.

(2) Where the treasurer receives from a person the sum of ten dollars or more, but less than one hundred dollars, as a donation to the Society, that person shall by virtue thereof be an ordinary member of the said body corporate until the thirty-first day of December next following or the conclusion of the next annual meeting, whichever is the later.

6. The affairs of the said body corporate shall be managed and controlled by a council of management consisting of not more than eighteen persons, elected by the members of the said body corporate. ^{Council of management.}

6A. (1) The members of the council shall be elected in accordance with this section. ^{Election of council.}

(2) At the first annual meeting of the said body corporate held after the commencement of the Royal Blind Society of New South Wales (Amendment) Act, 1970—

(a) six members of the council shall be elected who shall, subject to this Act, hold office until the first annual meeting held thereafter;

(b)

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(b) six members of the council shall be elected who shall, subject to this Act, hold office until the second annual meeting held thereafter; and

(c) six members of the council shall be elected who shall, subject to this Act, hold office until the third annual meeting held thereafter.

(3) At the second annual meeting of the said body corporate held after the commencement of the Royal Blind Society of New South Wales (Amendment) Act, 1970, and at each subsequent annual meeting, six members of the council shall be elected who shall, subject to this Act, hold office until the third annual meeting held after the meeting at which they were elected.

(4) A retiring member of the council shall, if he is otherwise qualified, be eligible for re-election.

Casual
vacancy.

6B. (1) A casual vacancy occurring on the council by death, resignation or otherwise shall be filled by a person appointed by the council for the purpose.

(2) A person appointed under subsection one of this section shall—

(a) subject to this Act, hold office for the residue of his predecessor's term of office;

(b) be deemed, for the purposes of section 6A of this Act, to have been elected a member of the council at the annual meeting at which his predecessor was elected; and

(c) if he is otherwise qualified, be eligible for re-election.

6c.

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6c. (1) A person who has attained the age of **No. 3, 1970** seventy-two years shall not be eligible to be nominated for election at an annual meeting as a member of the council, unless a resolution is passed at that meeting authorising him to hold office if elected. ^{Persons of or above 72 years on council.}

(2) Where a member of the council is of or above the age of seventy-two years immediately before the commencement of an annual meeting and his term of office would, but for this subsection, have continued after that meeting, he shall, notwithstanding any resolution passed at any previous annual meeting in respect of him under this section, be considered to have vacated his seat at that commencement, unless a resolution is passed at that meeting authorising him to continue in office.

(3) A reference in this section to a resolution that is passed at an annual meeting is, notwithstanding section fourteen of this Act, a reference to a resolution of which not less than seven days' notice has been given by advertisement published in at least two daily newspapers and passed by a majority of not less than three-quarters of the members of the said body corporate present and voting at that meeting.

(4) A person who has attained the age of seventy-two years shall not be eligible to be appointed under section 6B of this Act.

(5) No act done or omitted to be done by the council shall be invalid by reason of the fact that a person was nominated for election as, or was holding office as, a member of the council in contravention of any provision of this section.

(c)

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Subst.
sec. 10.Qualifica-
tions of
voters.

(c) by omitting section ten and by inserting in lieu thereof the following section :—

10. Any person shall be qualified to vote at any annual or special general meeting if he is for the time being a member of the said body corporate.

Sec. 13.
(Nomination
of council.)

(d) (i) by omitting from subsection one of section thirteen the word "Any" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "Except as provided in section 6C of this Act, any";

(ii) by inserting in subsection two of the same section after the word "aforesaid" the words "and, except in the case of a person who was a member of the council immediately before the commencement of the meeting, unless a notice has been sent or delivered to the office of the Society so as to be received thereat not later than two weeks before the meeting, stating that it is proposed that he be nominated for election at the meeting";

(iii) by omitting from subsection three of the same section the words "a week" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "three weeks".

(2) Nothing in this Act shall prejudice or affect in any way the continuity of the body corporate constituted by section two of the Royal Blind Society of New South Wales Act, 1901-1965, and it shall continue notwithstanding the provisions of this Act.

(3) During the period between the commencement of this Act and the first annual meeting held after that commencement, the provisions of the Royal Blind Society of New South Wales Act, 1901-1965, shall continue to apply to and in respect of the council of management under section six of that Act in all respects as if this Act had not been enacted.

(4)

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(4) A person who was, immediately before the first annual meeting held after the commencement of this Act, a member of the council shall, subject to the Royal Blind Society of New South Wales Act, 1901-1965, as amended by this Act, be eligible for re-election.

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