2 Section twenty-eight of the Principal Act is amended— Qualification

(a) by omitting paragraphs I. and IA. of subsection (1) for the Legislative and substituting therefor the following para- Council. graph:

"I. If he is—

(a) The owner of a freehold estate in possession, whether legal or equitable: or

(b) The occupier of any property, within any division:";

- (b) by omitting from subsection (2) the words " in the division in which such property is situate "; and
- (c) by inserting after subsection (2) the following subsection :---

"(2A) A person who is qualified under paragraph I. of subsection (1) of this section to vote at elections of members to serve in the Council may, at his option, be enrolled in the division in which the property in respect of the ownership or occupancy of which he is so qualified is situated or, if he resides elsewhere than in that division, in the division in which he resides.".

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No. 97 of 1952.

AN ACT to amend the Electoral Act 1907. [19 December, 1952.]

RE it enacted by His Excellency the Governor of Tasmania, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, in Parliament assembled, as follows:---

Short title and 1-(1) This Act may be cited as the Electoral Act 1952. citation. (2) The Electoral Act 1907, as subsequently amended, is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

2 After section twenty of the Principal Act the following Arrange-ments with local section is inserted:---

authorities.

"20A.-(1) The Chief Electoral officer may, with the authorities. approval of the Governor, arrange with the council of any city or municipality for the town clerk of the city or the council

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clerk of the municipality or the other officer appointed by the council to act as the returning officer for elections of aldermen or councillors, as the case may be, to furnish the Chief Electoral Officer from time to time with—

- I. Copies of the citizens' roll or voters' roll used for the purposes of those elections and of alterations thereof or additions thereto:
- II. Copies of all notices of changes of ownership or of occupancy given to the council pursuant to the Local Government Act 1906 or the Annual Values Assessment Act 1911: and
- III. Such other information, if any, as the Chief Electoral Officer may consider necessary for the purpose of checking the qualifications of persons entitled, or claiming to be entitled, by virtue of paragraph I. of subsection (1) of section twenty-eight of the *Constitution Act* 1934, to vote at elections of members of the Legislative Council, and as may be agreed upon between the Chief Electoral Officer and the council of the city or municipality.

(2) An arrangement under this section may provide for the payment to the town clerk, council clerk, or other officer of the city or municipality of such fees or other remuneration, and such out of pocket expenses, as may be approved by the Governor.".

3 After section thirty-two of the Principal Act the following section is inserted:—

"32A. Where a person claims enrolment or transfer of enrolment on the ground that he is qualified by virtue of paragraph I. of subsection (1) of section twenty-eight of the *Constitution Act* 1934 and that person's name does not appear, either as the owner or occupier of property, on the relevant citizens' roll or voters' roll prepared in accordance with the provisions of the *Hobart Corporation Act* 1947, or the *Launceston Corporation Act* 1941, or the *Local Government Act* 1906, the electoral registrar may, and if so directed by the Chief Electoral Officer shall, require the claimant to verify his claim by statutory declaration and the electoral officer may refuse to enrol the claimant until the claim has been so verified.".

Verification of claims in certain cases.