



## ANALYSIS

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1974, No. 54

**An Act to amend the Electoral Act 1956**

[21 September 1974]

BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

**1. Short Title**—This Act may be cited as the Electoral Amendment Act 1974, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Electoral Act 1956 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).

**2. Qualification of electors**—(1) Section 2 (1) of the principal Act (as amended by section 2 (1) of the Electoral Amendment Act 1969) is hereby further amended by omitting from the definition of the term “adult” the words “20 years”, and substituting the words “18 years”.

(2) Section 99 (e) of the principal Act (as amended by section 2 (2) of the Electoral Amendment Act 1969) is hereby further amended by omitting the words “20 years”, and substituting the words “18 years”.

**3. Restriction on amendment or repeal of certain provisions**—Section 189 (1) (e) of the principal Act (as amended by section 3 of the Electoral Amendment Act 1969) is hereby further amended by omitting the words “20 years”, and substituting the words “18 years”.

**4. References in forms to age**—Every reference to the age of 20 years in any form hereafter used or intended to be used for the purposes of any application or declaration made or to be made under the principal Act shall be read as a reference to the age of 18 years.

**5. Repeal**—The Electoral Amendment Act 1969 is hereby repealed.

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This Act is administered in the Department of Justice.

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