

9. Section thirty-four of the Principal Act is amended by omitting sub-section (1.) and inserting in its stead the following sub-section :—

- “(1.) Any person who contravenes or fails to comply with—  
 (a) any provision of this Act for which no other penalty is provided; or  
 (b) any provision of any Regulations continued in force by this Act or of any such Regulations as amended by any regulation made under this Act,

shall be guilty of an offence.

Penalty: A fine of One hundred pounds or imprisonment for six months.”.

10. Section thirty-five of the Principal Act is amended by inserting after paragraph (b) the following paragraph :—

- “(ba) the repeal or amendment of all or any of the provisions of the National Security (Wheat Acquisition) Regulations, but so that any such amendment shall be in respect of a matter dealt with by those Regulations;”.

11. The order made by the Minister of State for Commerce under regulation fourteen of the National Security (Wheat Acquisition) Regulations and published in the *Gazette* on the sixteenth day of November, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine, shall be deemed to be, and at all times to have been, fully authorized by that regulation, and shall have, and be deemed to have had, full force and effect according to its tenor in respect of wheat harvested in any wheat season up to and including the 1946-47 season.

## CONSTITUTION ALTERATION (SOCIAL SERVICES).

### No. 81 of 1946.

An Act to alter the Constitution by empowering the Parliament to make Laws for the Provision of Maternity Allowances, Widows' Pensions, Child Endowment, Unemployment, Pharmaceutical, Sickness and Hospital Benefits, Medical and Dental Services, Benefits to Students and Family Allowances.

[Assented to 19th December, 1946.]

**B**E it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, the Senate, and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, with the approval of the electors, as required by the Constitution, as follows :—

1. This Act may be cited as the *Constitution Alteration (Social Services)* 1946.

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services.

2. Section fifty-one of the Constitution is altered by inserting after paragraph (xxiii.) the following paragraph :—

“(xxiiiA.) The provision of maternity allowances, widows’ pensions, child endowment, unemployment, pharmaceutical, sickness and hospital benefits, medical and dental services (but not so as to authorize any form of civil conscription), benefits to students and family allowances :”.

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