

# COMMONWEALTH CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION.

## No. 14 of 1946.

An Act to make provision for the performance by the next senior Judge of the duties of the Chief Judge of the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration in the event of his absence from office or his inability to perform the duties of his office, and for other purposes.

[Assented to 18th April, 1946.]

**B**E it enacted by the King'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 *Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Act 1946*. Short title and citation.

(2.) The *Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Act 1904–1934\** is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

(3.) The Principal Act, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the *Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Act 1904–1946*.

2. This Act shall come into operation on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent. Commencement.

3. After section thirteen of the Principal Act the following section is inserted:—

“13A.—(1.) In the event of the absence of the Chief Judge from office or his inability to perform the duties of his office, the senior Judge shall have and may exercise, during the absence or inability, all the powers and functions of the Chief Judge. Absence of Chief Judge.

“(2.) For the purposes of this section, the Judges shall have seniority according to the dates of their commissions.”

4. Section eighteen B of the Principal Act is amended by inserting in sub-section (4.), before the word “two”, the words “not less than”. Amendment of s. 18B.

Act No. 13, 1904, as amended by No. 23, 1909; No. 7, 1910; No. 6, 1911; No. 5, 1914; No. 18, 1914; No. 35, 1915; No. 39, 1918; No. 31, 1920; No. 29, 1921; No. 22, 1926; No. 8, 1927; No. 18, 1928; No. 43, 1930; and Nos. 45 and 54, 1934.