

Return for
Parliament.

21.—(1.) A return shall be prepared, not later than the thirty-first day of August of each year, and shall be laid before each House of the Parliament within fifteen sitting days of that House after the preparation of the return.

(2.) The return shall set forth in respect of the preceding financial year—

- (a) the name and address of each manufacturer to whom bounty was paid ;
- (b) the total amount of bounty paid to each manufacturer and the quantity and value of wire netting on which bounty was paid ; and
- (c) such other particulars as are prescribed.

Regulations.

22. The Governor-General may make regulations not inconsistent with this Act, prescribing all matters which by this Act are required or permitted to be prescribed, or which are necessary or convenient to be prescribed, for carrying out or giving effect to this Act, and in particular for prescribing—

- (a) the form in which applications for bounty shall be made ;
- (b) the conditions to be observed by manufacturers in respect of giving notice of their intention to claim bounty and the time or times within which applications for bounty shall be lodged with the Collector ;
- (c) the conditions of manufacture of wire netting at factories ; and
- (d) penalties not exceeding Fifty pounds for any breach of the regulations.

DEFENCE (No. 2).

No. 38 of 1939.

An Act to amend the *Defence Act 1903-1939*.

[Assented to 26th September, 1939.]

BE 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 *Defence Act (No. 2) 1939*.

(2.) Sub-section (3.) of section one of the *Defence Act 1939* is repealed.

(3.) The *Defence Act 1903-1934**, as amended by the *Defence Act 1939†*, is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

(4.) The Principal Act, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the *Defence Act 1903-1939*.

* Act No. 20, 1903, as amended by No. 12, 1904 ; No. 15, 1909 ; No. 30, 1910 ; No. 37, 1910 ; No. 15, 1911 ; No. 5, 1912 ; No. 36, 1914 ; No. 3, 1915 ; No. 36, 1917 ; No. 16, 1918 ; No. 47, 1918 ; No. 1, 1927 ; No. 50, 1932 ; and No. 45, 1934.

† Act No. 13, 1939.

Short title
and citation.

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

3. Section sixty-one of the Principal Act is amended—

(a) by omitting from paragraph (i) of sub-section (1.) the words “who satisfy the prescribed authority that their” and inserting in their stead the word “whose”; and

(b) by adding at the end thereof the following sub-section:—

“(3.) In this section ‘conscientious beliefs’ includes all conscientious beliefs, whether the ground thereof is or is not of a religious character, and whether the beliefs are or are not part of the doctrines of any religion.”

Persons
exempt from
service.

4. Section sixty-one A of the Principal Act is amended by adding at the end thereof the following sub-sections:—

“(2.) If an application for exemption under paragraph (i) of sub-section (1.) of section sixty-one of this Act is refused by any court authorized as provided in sub-section (1.) of this section, an appeal shall lie from the decision to the High Court or to the Supreme Court of the State or Territory of the Commonwealth in which the application was made.

“(3.) An appeal may be on questions of fact as well as on questions of law, and shall, at the request of the appellant, be by way of re-hearing.

“(4.) The Justices of the High Court or a majority of them may make Rules of Court for regulating the practice and procedure in relation to appeals to a Court under sub-section (2.) of this section.”

Burden of
proving
exemption.

SUPPLY (No. 2) 1939-40.

No. 39 of 1939.

An Act to grant and apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and forty.

[Assented to 26th September, 1939.]

BE it enacted by the King’s Most Excellent Majesty, the Senate, and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, for the purpose of appropriating the grant originated in the House of Representatives, as follows:—

Preamble.

1. This Act may be cited as the *Supply Act (No. 2) 1939-40*.

Short title.

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

Commencement.