UNITED KINGDOM GRANT.

No. 58 of 1948.

An Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund the sum of Ten million pounds as a Grant to His Majestv's Government in the United Kingdom.

[Assented to 6th December, 1948.]

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:—

Short title

- 1. This Act may be cited as the United Kingdom Grant Act 1948.
- Commencement
- 2. This Act shall come into operation on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent.

Appropriation of £10,000,000 as grant to Kingdom.

3. There shall be payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, which is hereby appropriated accordingly, for the purpose of a grant to His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom, the sum of Ten million pounds.

STATES GRANTS.

No. 59 of 1948.

An Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund sums for the purposes of Financial Assistance to the States of South Australia, Western Australia and Tasmania.

[Assented to 6th December, 1948.]

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:-

Short title.

- 1. This Act may be cited as the States Grants Act 1948.
- Commencement.
- 2. This Act shall come into operation on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent.

Payment of financial assistance to States.

3. There shall be payable to the States of South Australia, Western Australia and Tasmania, during the year which commenced on the first day of July, One thousand nine hundred and forty-eight, for the purposes of financial assistance, the sum of Six million seven hundred and fifty thousand pounds.

4. The amount payable to each State under this Act shall be the Allocation amount shown in the following table opposite the name of that State :- of grant.

	£
 	2,250,000
 	3,600,000
 	900,000
	6,750,000
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States Grants.

5. Payments in accordance with this Act shall be made out of the Appropriation. Consolidated Revenue Fund, which is hereby appropriated accordingly.

AUDIT.

No. 60 of 1948.

An Act to amend the Audit Act 1901-1947.

[Assented to 6th December, 1948.]

[Date of commencement, 3rd January, 1949.]

RE 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 Audit Act 1948.
- Short title
- (2.) The Audit Act 1901-1947* is in this Act referred to as the citation. Principal Act.
- (3.) The Principal Act, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the Audit Act 1901-1948.
 - 2. Section two of the Principal Act is amended—

Definitions.

- (a) by inserting after the definition of "Commonwealth Public Account " the following definition:
 - "'Departments' means Departments of State of the Commonwealth and includes such authorities of the Commonwealth as are prescribed;"
- (b) by omitting the definition of "Accounting Officer" and inserting in its stead the following definition:-
 - "(d) 'Accounting Officer' shall include every person who is charged with the duty of collecting, receiving or accounting for, or who does actually