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- (2.) Section nine of the *National Welfare Fund Act* 1945\* is amended by omitting sub-section (3.).
- (3.) The Widows' Pensions Act 1942-1944<sup>†</sup>, as amended by the National Welfare Fund Act 1945, is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.
- (4.) The Principal Act, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the Widows' Pensions Act 1942-1945.

Commencement.

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

Rate of pension.

3. Section fifteen of the Principal Act is amended by omitting from paragraph (a) of sub-section (1.) the words "Eighty-three pounds four shillings" and inserting in their stead the words "Ninety-seven pounds ten shillings".

Allowances to certain widows. 4. Section twenty-six of the Principal Act is amended by omitting from sub-section (1.) the words "Twenty-seven shillings" and inserting in their stead the words "One pound twelve shillings and six pence".

Application of amendments.

5. The amendments effected by this Act shall apply in relation to the instalment of pension falling due on the sixteenth day of October, One thousand nine hundred and forty-five, and to all subsequent instalments.

## SEAT OF GOVERNMENT SUPREME COURT.

## No. 57 of 1945.

An Act to amend the Seat of Government Supreme Court Act 1933-1935.

[Assented to 19th October, 1945.]

BE it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, the Senate, and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, as follows:—

Short title and citation.

1.—(1.) This Act may be cited as the Seat of Government Supreme Court Act 1945.

Act No. 41, 1045.
Act No. 19, 1942, as amended by No. 15, 1943; and No. 15, 1944.

- (2.) The Seat of Government Supreme Court Act 1933-1935\* is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.
- (3.) The Principal Act, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the Seat of Government Supreme Court Act 1933-1945.
- 2. This Act shall come into operation on the day on which it commencement. receives the Royal Assent.
- 3. Section five of the Principal Act is amended by inserting in the Definitions. definition of "the Judge", after the word "and", the words", except in sections eight a and eight B of this Act,"
  - 4. Section eight of the Principal Act is amended—

Appointment of Judge.

- (a) by omitting sub-section (1.) and inserting in its stead the following sub-section:-
  - "(1.) The Governor-General may appoint by commission a person who is or has been a practising barrister or solicitor of the High Court or of the Supreme Court of a State of not less than five years' standing to be the Judge of the Supreme Court."; and
- (b) by omitting sub-section (3.).
- 5. After section eight of the Principal Act the following sections are inserted:-
- "8A. The Judge shall be capable of accepting and holding the Judge may office of Judge Advocate-General of any part of the Defence Force and of holding any other office (other than a place of profit) if his appointment to that other office is made or approved by the Governor-General.

"8B.—(1.) The Judge shall receive a salary at the rate of Two Salaries and travelling thousand five hundred pounds a year.

- "(2.) The Judge shall be paid on account of his expenses in travelling to discharge the duties of his office such sums as are considered reasonable by the Governor-General.
- "(3.) Where the Judge has served in that office for not less than fifteen years, he shall, on retiring, be entitled to an annual pension at the rate of one-half of his salary.
- "(4.) If the Judge retires on permanent disability or infirmity, he shall, if he has served in that office for not less than five years, be entitled, on retiring, to an annual pension at the rate of twenty onehundredths of his salary and at the additional rate of three onehundredths of his salary for each complete year of his service in excess of five years, but so that the rate of his pension shall not exceed one-half of his salary.

- "(5.) Where the Judge was, immediately prior to his appointment, serving in any judicial office under a State, so much of the term of that service as does not exceed five years shall, for the purposes of sub-sections (3.) and (4.) of this section, be added to the term of his service as the Judge of the Supreme Court.
- "(6.) Pensions under this section shall grow due from day to day, but shall be payable monthly.
- "(7.) Salaries and pensions under this section shall be charged on and paid out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, which is to the necessary extent hereby appropriated accordingly."

## SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION 1943-44.

## No. 58 of 1945.

An Act to appropriate a further sum out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ended the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

[Assented to 19th October, 1945.] [Date of commencement, 16th November, 1945.]

Preamble,

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 Supplementary Appropriation Act 1943-44.

Appropriation £2.015,224.

2. The sum of Two million fifteen thousand two hundred and twenty-four pounds which has been issued from the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ended the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and forty-four, shall be deemed to have been appropriated as from the date of the commencement of the Appropriation Act 1943-44 for the purposes and services expressed in the Schedule to this Act.