

(2.) The Second Schedule to the Principal Act is amended by omitting paragraph (b) of Part II. and inserting in its stead the following paragraph :—

“(b) Other telegrams, accepted for transmission subject to the prescribed conditions—

—	Between offices which are in the same State.	Between offices which are not in the same State.
Including address and signature—		
Not exceeding twenty-five words . . . . .	One shilling . . . . .	Two shillings
Exceeding twenty-five but not exceeding fifty words	One shilling and fivepence	Two shillings and ninepence
Exceeding fifty but not exceeding one hundred words	Two shillings and eightpence	Five shillings and threepence
Every additional fifty words or portion of fifty words	One shilling . . . . .	Two shillings”.

(3.) The Second Schedule to the Principal Act is amended by omitting Part IV. and inserting in its stead the following Part :—

“PART IV.—LETTER TELEGRAMS, AS PRESCRIBED.

Telegrams, accepted for transmission subject to the prescribed conditions— including address and signature, One shilling and sixpence for the first thirty words and one half-penny for each additional word.”.

## WAR SERVICE HOMES.

### No. 24 of 1949.

## An Act to amend the *War Service Homes Act 1918-1948.*

[Assented to 1st July, 1949.]

**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 *War Service Homes Act 1949.*

Short title and citation.

(2.) The *War Service Homes Act 1918-1948\** is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

(3.) The Principal Act, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the *War Service Homes Act 1918-1949.*

Act No. 43, 1918, as amended by No. 28, 1919; No. 35, 1920; No. 18, 1923; No. 26, 1925; No. 47, 1926; No. 17, 1927; No. 13, 1929; Nos. 6 and 68, 1932; No. 63, 1934; No. 54, 1935; No. 26, 1937; No. 1, 1941; No. 8, 1946; Nos. 1, 38 and 71, 1947; and No. 67, 1948.

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

Total cost of dwelling-house. 3. Section eighteen of the Principal Act is amended by omitting from sub-section (1.) the words "One thousand seven hundred and fifty pounds" (wherever occurring) and inserting in their stead the words "Two thousand pounds".

Sale of dwelling-house. 4. Section nineteen of the Principal Act is amended by omitting sub-sections (3.) and (4.) and inserting in their stead the following sub-section:—

“(3.) Where the Director sells to an eligible person a dwelling-house together with the land on which it is erected, the following provisions shall apply with respect to the payment of a deposit by the eligible person:—

(a) if the purchase money does not exceed One thousand two hundred and fifty pounds, the Director may, if he considers that course necessary, require a deposit not exceeding five per centum of the purchase money;

(b) if the purchase money exceeds One thousand two hundred and fifty pounds but does not exceed One thousand seven hundred and fifty pounds, the Director shall, subject to paragraph (e) of this sub-section, require a deposit of five per centum of the purchase money;

(c) if the purchase money exceeds One thousand seven hundred and fifty pounds, the Director shall, subject to paragraph (e) of this sub-section, require a deposit of five per centum of the purchase money, plus one per centum of the purchase money for every Fifty pounds, or part thereof, by which the purchase money exceeds One thousand seven hundred and fifty pounds;

(d) where the land on which the dwelling-house is erected, or an interest in that land, has been acquired by the Director from the eligible person, the deposit which, apart from this paragraph, the Director is authorized or required to obtain shall be reduced by any amount which the Director has agreed to credit to the eligible person in consideration of the transfer to the Director of that land, or of that interest in land, as the case may be; and

(e) in a case to which paragraph (b) or (c) of this sub-section applies, the Director may, in special circumstances, accept a deposit of less than the amount which would, but for this sub-paragraph, be required.”

Maximum advance.

5. Section twenty-one of the Principal Act is amended by omitting from sub-section (1.) the words "One thousand five hundred pounds" (wherever occurring) and inserting in their stead the words "Two thousand pounds".

6. Section thirty-one of the Principal Act is amended by omitting from paragraph (a) of sub-section (2.) the words "One thousand seven hundred and fifty pounds" and inserting in their stead the words "Two thousand pounds".

Property to be kept in repair until payment in full.

7. Section thirty-six of the Principal Act is amended by omitting from paragraph (a) of sub-section (1c.) the words "One thousand seven hundred and fifty pounds" and inserting in their stead the words "Two thousand pounds".

Action on instalments being overdue.

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## SNOWY MOUNTAINS HYDRO-ELECTRIC POWER.

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### No. 25 of 1949.

An Act relating to the Construction and  
Operation of Works for the Generation  
of Hydro-electric Power in the Snowy  
Mountains Area.

[Assented to 7th July, 1949.]

**W**HEREAS additional supplies of electricity are required for the purposes of defence works and undertakings: Preamble.

AND WHEREAS the construction of further defence works and the establishment of further defence undertakings will require additional supplies of electricity:

AND WHEREAS it is desirable that provision should be made now to enable increased supplies of electricity to be immediately available in time of war:

AND WHEREAS the consumption of electricity in the Australian Capital Territory and, in particular, at the Seat of Government within that Territory, is increasing and is likely to continue to increase:

AND WHEREAS it is desirable that the generation of electricity for the purposes referred to in this preamble should be undertaken in such an area and in such a manner as to be least likely to suffer interruption in time of war:

AND WHEREAS, by reason of the foregoing, it is desirable that provision should be made now for the generation of electricity by means of hydro-electric works in the Snowy Mountains Area: