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(Section 9.)

Section.	Modification.
2	The omission of the symbol "III" and the substitution there- for of the symbol "(c)".
6	The omission of the symbol "I" and the substitution therefor of the symbol " (a) ".
7	In paragraph (a) , the omission of the symbol "I" and the substitution therefor of the symbol " (a) ".
	In paragraph (b) , the omission of the symbol "I" and the substitution therefor of the symbol " (a) ".
8	In paragraph (d) , the omission of the symbol "XIII" and the substitution therefor of the symbol " (m) ".
	In paragraph (e), the omission of the symbol " xxv " and the substitution therefor of the symbol " (y) ".

PARLIAMENTARY RETIRING ALLOWANCES.

No. 46 of 1961.

AN ACT to amend the Parliamentary Retiring Allowances Act 1955. [15 December 1961.]

B^E it enacted by His Excellency the Governor of Tasmania, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, in Parliament assembled, as follows:—

1-(1) This Act may be cited as the Parliamentary Retiring Allowances Act 1961.

(2) The Parliamentary Retiring Allowances Act 1955, as subsequently amended, is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

Short title and citation. 1961.

2 Section ten of the Principal Act is amended by omitting contributions subsection (1) thereof and substituting therefor the following by members. subsection :---

"(1) Every member, and every person who, having ceased to be a member, is in receipt of a parliamentary salary, shall contribute to the Fund---

- (a) if he has exercised the right of election conferred on him by section thirteen A, at such annual rate as is payable by virtue of the exercise by him of that right: or
- (b) if he has not exercised that right, at the rate of one hundred and fifty-six pounds a year.".

3 Section thirteen of the Principal Act is amended—

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- (a) by omitting from paragraphs
 (a) and
 (b) of subsection
 (5) thereof the words "rate of the basic wage for Hobart" (wherever occurring) and substituting therefor, in each case, the words "prescribed rate"; and
- (b) by adding at the end thereof the following subsection:---

"(7) In this section, 'the prescribed rate' means-

- (a) in the case of a person who has exercised the right of election conferred on him by section thirteen A, the rate at which the pension for which he has elected to contribute is to be calculated; and
- (b) in any other case, the rate of the basic wage for Hobart.".

4 After section thirteen of the Principal Act the following section is inserted :-

"13A—(1) A person who is a member at the commence-Right of ment of this section or who becomes a member thereafter may, elect to by notice in writing given to the Trust, elect to contribute for a pension to be calculated at the rate of—

- (a) one and one-third times the rate of the basic wage for Hobart;
- (b) one and two-thirds times the rate of the basic wage for Hobart: or

(c) twice the rate of the basic wage for Hobart, according as may be specified in the notice.

"(2) The contributions to be paid to the Fund by a person who exercises the right of election conferred on him by this section shall be paid-

> (a) at the rate of two hundred and eight pounds a year, where the person elects to contribute for a pension to be calculated at the rate mentioned in paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of this section;

- (b) at the rate of two hundred and sixty pounds a year, where the person elects to contribute for a pension to be calculated at the rate mentioned in paragraph (b) of that subsection; or
- (c) at the rate of three hundred and twelve pounds a year, where the person elects to contribute for a pension to be calculated at the rate mentioned in paragraph (c) of that subsection.

"(3) The contributions payable to the Fund by a person who exercises the right of election conferred on him by this section are payable at the relevant rate prescribed in subsection (2) of this section on and from—

- (a) the date of the commencement of this section, in the case of a person who is a member on that date; or
- (b) the date on which he becomes a member, in the case of a person who becomes a member after the commencement of this section.

"(4) The right of election conferred on a person by this section shall be exercised—

- (a) in the case of a person who is a member on the date of the commencement of this section, within six months after that date; or
- (b) in the case of a person who becomes a member after that date, within six months after the date on which he becomes a member.

"(5) Until—

- (a) a member exercises his right of election under this section; or
- (b) the expiration of the time within which he may exercise that right,

whichever first happens, the member's rights and obligations under this Act remain the same in all respects as if this section had not been enacted.

"(6) Where a member exercises the right of election conferred on him by this section—

- (a) except as provided by subsection (7) of this section, that member is not entitled thereafter to exercise any further right of election under this section; and
- (b) any reference in this Act to the pension or rate of pension for which a member is entitled, or that is payable to him, or that could or might have been paid to him (however expressed) shall, in the case of a member who has exercised that right, be construed as a reference to a pension to be calculated at the appropriate rate specified in the notice of election given by that member to the Trust pursuant to subsection (1) of this section.

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"(7) Where a person who, having ceased to be a member, again becomes a member that person may exercise the same right of election under this section as if he had not previously been a member, but nothing in this subsection affects the operation of section seventeen in relation to such a person.".

5 Section fourteen of the Principal Act is amended—

- (a) by omitting from subsection (2) thereof the word death of "thalf" and substituting therefor the words a member.
 "two-thirds of"; and
- (b) by omitting from subsection (3) thereof the word "half" and substituting therefor the words "two-thirds of".

RURAL FIRES.

No. 47 of 1961.

AN ACT to amend the *Rural Fires Act* 1950. [15 December 1961.

B^E it enacted by His Excellency the Governor of Tasmania, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, in Parliament assembled, as follows:—

1—(1) This Act may be cited as the Rural Fires Act 1961. Short title and citation.

(2) The Rural Fires Act 1950, as subsequently amended, is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

2 Section two of the Principal Act is amended by omitting Interprethe definition of "forest officer" and substituting therefor the following definition:—

- " ' forest officer ' means an officer or temporary employee in the Forestry Department of the Public Service authorized to act as a forest officer for the purposes of this Act—
 - (a) by warrant under the seal of the Commission; or
 - (b) by notification by the Commission in the *Gazette*;".

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