

No. 3351.

An Act relating to the Department heretofore known as the Department for Neglected Children.

[1st October, 1924.]

BE it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly of Victoria in this present Parliament assembled and by the authority of the same as follows (that is to say) :—

Short title
construction
and citation.
No. 2703.

1. This Act may be cited as the *Children's Welfare Act* 1924 and shall be read and construed as one with the *Neglected Children's Act* 1915 which Act without prejudice to any other mode of citation may be cited as the *Children's Welfare Act* 1915 and is hereinafter called the Principal Act; and that Act and this Act may be cited together as the Children's Welfare Acts.

Change of name
of Department
and style or
title of
Secretary.

2. (1) The name of the Department referred to in the Principal Act as the "Department for Neglected Children" shall be changed to the "Children's Welfare Department"; and the style or title of the "Secretary of the Department for Neglected Children" shall be changed to the "Secretary of the Children's Welfare Department."

Construction of
references to
Department or
Secretary in
Acts documents
&c.

(2) Any reference to the "Department for Neglected Children" or any like expression or to the "Secretary of the Department for Neglected Children" or any like expression occurring in the Principal Act or in any other enactment or in any Order in Council by-law regulation deed contract application list order complaint declaration transfer certificate security summons warrant security bond recognisance or other instrument or any other document whatsoever shall be deemed and taken to refer to and mean the Children's Welfare Department or (as the case may be) the Secretary of the Children's

Welfare

Welfare Department unless the context otherwise requires; and in particular without affecting the generality of the foregoing—

- (a) in section three of the Principal Act for the words "Secretary of the Department for Neglected Children" there shall be substituted the words "Secretary of the Children's Welfare Department"; and for the words "Ward of the Department for Neglected Children" there shall be substituted the words "Ward of the Children's Welfare Department"; and
- (b) the Acts mentioned in the Schedule to this Act to the extent to which the same are thereby expressed to be amended are hereby amended accordingly.

Amendment of No. 2703 s. 3.
Interpretation of "The Secretary" and of "Ward of the Department for Neglected Children."

Amendments of Nos. 2627, 2637, 2670, 2691, 2703, 3001.
Schedule.

(3) The amendments made by this section and the changes of name style or title provided for by this section shall not affect any act matter or thing duly made done or suffered under any enactment instrument or document so amended or any other enactment and any act matter or thing of a continuing nature lawfully made done or commenced by or on behalf of the Department for Neglected Children or the Secretary of the said Department shall be deemed to have been made done or commenced by or on behalf of the Children's Welfare Department or (as the case may be) the Secretary of the said Department; and the Department referred to in the Principal Act shall be deemed to be the same Department before and after the change of the name thereof; and no action or other matter or thing shall be affected or abated by such change of name or by the change of the style or title of the said Secretary.

As to matters &c. done &c. previously.
Department to be same Department.
Actions &c. not to be abated &c.

SCHEDULE.

Section 2.

AMENDMENTS OF THE PRINCIPAL ACT:—

(1) In sections one, seven, nine (where last occurring therein), twelve, thirteen, twenty, twenty-two, twenty-three (wherever occurring therein), twenty-four (wherever occurring therein), twenty-five (and the heading thereto), twenty-six, twenty-seven (wherever occurring therein), twenty-eight (wherever occurring therein), twenty-nine, thirty (where first occur-

No. 2703 ss. 1, 7, 9, 12, 13, 20, 22-33, 49, 63, 69, 73, 80, 82-84, 87, 88, Second Schedule.

SCHEDULE

SCHEDULE—continued.

ring therein), thirty-one to thirty-three, forty-eight, sixty-three, sixty-nine, seventy-three, eighty, eighty-two to eighty-four, eighty-seven, and eighty-eight (wherever occurring therein) of and in form B (and the heading thereto) of the Second Schedule to the Principal Act for the words "Department for Neglected Children" there shall be substituted the words "Children's Welfare Department"; and

(2) In section thirty of the Principal Act after the words "Department for Neglected Children" (where last occurring) there shall be inserted the words "or the Children's Welfare Department (as the case may be)."

AMENDMENTS OF THE "CHILDREN'S COURT ACT 1915":—

No. 2627 ss. 3,
13, Third
Schedule.

In sections three and thirteen of and in the Third Schedule to the *Children's Court Act 1915* for the words "Department for Neglected Children" there shall be substituted the words "Children's Welfare Department."

AMENDMENTS OF THE "CRIMES ACT 1915":

No. 2637 ss.
336, 337, 339,
344, 345, 347,
367, 502,
Third
Schedule.

In sections three hundred and thirty-six, three hundred and thirty-seven, three hundred and thirty-nine, three hundred and forty-four, three hundred and forty-five, three hundred and forty-seven, three hundred and sixty-seven, and five hundred and two of and in the Third Schedule to the *Crimes Act 1915* for the words "Department for Neglected Children" (wherever occurring) there shall be substituted the words "Children's Welfare Department."

AMENDMENTS OF THE "INFANT LIFE PROTECTION ACT 1915":—

No. 2670 ss. 3,
15, 17-21,
Second and
Third Schedules.

In sections three, fifteen, and seventeen to twenty-one of and in the Second and Third Schedules to the *Infant Life Protection Act 1915* for the words "Department for Neglected Children" (wherever occurring) there shall be substituted the words "Children's Welfare Department."

AMENDMENTS OF THE "MARRIAGE ACT 1915":—

No. 2691 ss.
37, 95.

(1) In sections thirty-seven (where first occurring) and ninety-five of the *Marriage Act 1915* for the words "Department for Neglected Children" there shall be substituted the words "Children's Welfare Department"; and

(2) In section thirty-seven of the said Act for the words "Department for Neglected Children or" (where last occurring) there shall be substituted the words "Children's Welfare Department or of the Department for."

AMENDMENTS OF THE "CHILDREN'S MAINTENANCE ACT 1919":—

No. 3001 ss. 2,
12, 14, 16, 23.

In sections two, twelve, fourteen, sixteen (and the heading thereto), and twenty-three of the *Children's Maintenance Act 1919* for the words "Department for Neglected Children" (wherever occurring) there shall be substituted the words "Children's Welfare Department."