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# VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

A.D. 1896.

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No. 671.

An Act relating to Oaths.

[*Reserved, December 19th, 1896.*]

**B**E it Enacted by the Governor of the Province of South Australia, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly of the said province, in this present Parliament assembled, as follows:

1. This Act may be cited as "The Affirmations Act, 1896." Short title.
  
2. All persons may make an affirmation in lieu of taking the oath required by "The Constitution Act," or any oath of allegiance, official oath, oath of fidelity, or judicial oath. Affirmation in lieu of certain oaths.
  
3. Every affirmation may commence "I do truly and solemnly affirm," and may proceed in the same words as the oath required or permitted by law under the same circumstances, omitting all words of imprecation or calling to witness, and the attestation of any affirmation in writing may be in the same words as the jurat of an affidavit, substituting the word "affirmed" for "sworn." Form of affirmation.
  
4. Every person authorised to administer an oath is hereby authorised to take an affirmation. Who may take affirmations.
  
5. Every affirmation, in whatever form, *bonâ fide* heretofore made by any person in lieu of any oath required to be taken by such Affirmations heretofore made to be good. person

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person shall be deemed to have been valid and sufficient for the purposes of any law requiring the taking of such oath.

I reserve this Act for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure.

T. F. BUXTON, Governor.