

3. The Commonwealth shall, subject to compliance by the State with the provisions of the agreement, pay to the State, by way of financial assistance, in respect of qualified persons in mental institutions, amounts determined in accordance with the agreement.

4. The amount to be paid by the Commonwealth to the State for any financial year or part thereof in respect of qualified persons shall be determined by multiplying the Commonwealth Mental Institution Benefit Rate by the number of patient-days in that financial year or part thereof.

5. The State shall ensure that no means test is imposed on, and that no fees are charged to or in respect of, qualified persons.

6. The State shall ensure that, except with the concurrence of the Commonwealth, no charge is made to or in respect of qualified persons for services or comforts for which it was not customary to make a charge as at the first day of November, 1948.

7. For the purposes of the agreement, the number of patient-days in a financial year or part thereof shall be the sum of the number of complete days on which each qualified person was a patient in a mental institution during that financial year or part thereof (the day of admission and the day of discharge being together counted as one day).

8. The agreement may contain such incidental and supplementary provisions as are necessary to give effect to the Commonwealth Mental Institution Benefits Scheme.

9. The agreement shall contain definitions substantially to the following effect and such other definitions as are necessary:—

“the Commonwealth Mental Institution Benefit Rate” means nine-pence, or such other rate as is, from time to time, agreed upon between the Commonwealth and the State;

“mental institution” means a hospital for the insane, mental hospital, reception house, receiving house, or similar institution which—

(a) is conducted by the State or is in receipt of a grant for maintenance from the State; and

(b) is for the time being approved by the Commonwealth for the purposes of the agreement;

“qualified person” means a patient in a mental institution who was ordinarily resident in Australia at the time of admission to the mental institution, but does not include a patient whose fees are borne by the Commonwealth or by another State.

PRICES.

No. 11 of 1949.

AN ACT to amend the *Prices Act* 1948 [12 April, 1949.]

BE 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 *Prices Act* 1949.

(2) The *Prices Act* 1948* is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

Short title
and citation.

Expiry of Act.

2 Section forty-eight of the Principal Act is amended by omitting therefrom the words "thirtieth day of June, 1949" and substituting therefor the words "thirty-first day of December, 1949".

TRANSPORT.

No. 12 of 1949.

AN ACT to amend the *Transport Act 1938*.
[12 April, 1949.]

BE 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:—

Short title
and citation.

- 1**—(1) This Act may be cited as the *Transport Act 1949*.
(2) The *Transport Act 1938**, as subsequently amended, is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

Extension of
present terms
of office of
Commissioner
and Associate
Commissioners.

2 Notwithstanding anything contained in the Principal Act, the Governor may, on the expiration of the terms of office of the persons holding office at the commencement of this Act as the Commissioner and Associate Commissioners, respectively, re-appoint those persons to their respective offices for a period terminating on the thirty-first day of December, 1949, and if those persons are so re-appointed the Commission shall be deemed, for all purposes, to be validly constituted as if the members thereof had been appointed respectively for the terms of office prescribed by the Principal Act.

* 2 & 3 Geo. VI. No. 70, as amended by 3 Geo. VI. No. 17, 7 Geo. VI. No. 27, 8 Geo. VI. No. 13, and 11 & 12 Geo. VI. No. 86. See also No. 10 of 1948.