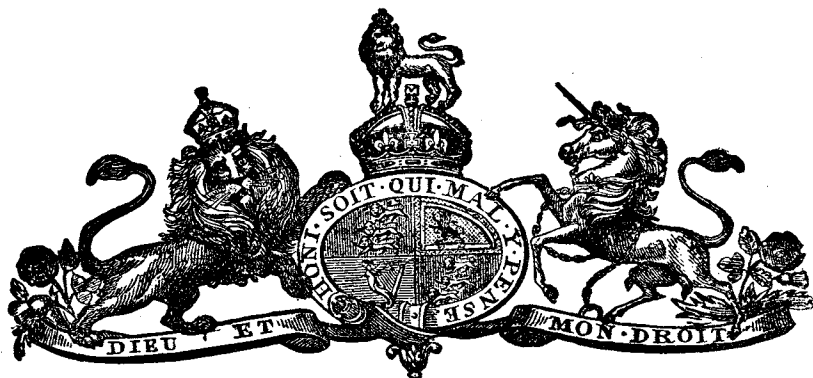


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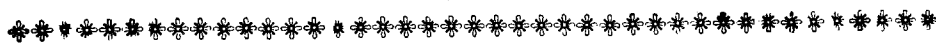
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ANALYSIS.

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AN ACT to amend Part V. of "The Evidence Act, 1910," as to Oaths. A.D.  
**1911.**  
[21 December, 1911.]

**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** This Act may be cited as "The Evidence Amendment (Oaths) Act, 1911," and shall be incorporated with and read as one with "The Evidence Act, 1910," hereinafter referred to as the Principal Act. Short title and  
incorporation with  
1 Geo. V. No. 20.

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**2** Section One hundred and twenty-four of the Principal Act is hereby repealed, and the following section is hereby substituted therefor:—

Practice of  
“kissing the  
book” discon-  
tinued.

“**124** The practice of a person sworn according to the English form of oath, kissing or touching the Bible or Testament, shall be discontinued, and instead thereof the person tendering the oath shall hold the Bible or Testament in his hand and tender the oath, and the witness shall say, ‘I swear,’ to signify his taking of the oath.”

Extension of  
meaning of  
expression “oath”  
used throughout  
Part V. of the  
Principal Act.

**3** Notwithstanding any law to the contrary the expression “oath” used throughout Part V. of the Principal Act shall, as from the commencement of that Act, be deemed to have meant and extended to, and shall hereafter mean and extend to, every oath taken in all places and for all purposes where an oath shall have been or is or hereafter shall be required by law.

Proviso.

Provided that any oath administered and taken since the commencement of the Principal Act, in any manner which would have been lawful if that Act had not been passed, shall be deemed to have been lawfully administered and taken.