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TASMANIAN UNIVERSITY AMENDMENT

No. 18 of 1980

AN ACT to amend the Tasmanian University Act 1951 to provide for graduates and staff members of the university to elect not to be members of the university or convocation, to reconstitute the council of the university, and to provide for elections and appointments as members of the council; to provide for the office of Vice-Chancellor and Pro-Vice-Chancellor; to provide for the control of traffic on university lands; to make provision for the conferring of honorary degrees on certain persons; to make further provision for the council to make statutes for imposing fees, deposits, and charges; and to make further provision for the council to submit certain statutes for the consideration and report of the Professorial Board before those statutes are formally made.

[Royal Assent 30 April 1980]

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—This Act may be cited as the Tasmanian University Amend-Short title. ment Act 1979.

Principal Act.

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2—In this Act, the Tasmanian University Act 1951* is referred to as the Principal Act.

Amendment of section 3 of Principal Act (Interpretation).

- **3**—Section 3 of the Principal Act is amended as follows:—
 - (a) by inserting the following definition in subsection (1) after the definition of "council":—
 - "employee" means a permanent full-time employee of the university who is neither a full-time nor a temporary member of the teaching staff of the university;
 - (b) by omitting from the definition of "graduate" in subsection (1) "(other than an honorary degree)";
 - (c) by inserting the following definition in subsection (1) after the definition of "graduate":—
 - "member of the teaching staff" means a full-time member of the teaching staff of the university who has been appointed either with tenure until the age of retirement, or on probation with eligibility for tenure on the expiration of his probationary period;
 - (d) by omitting from subsection (1) the definition of "undergraduate" and substituting the following definition:—
 - "student" means a person whose name appears for the time being on the roll of students of the university but does not include a student who has been exempted from attendance at all classes;
 - (e) by inserting in subsection (1) the following definition after the definition of "university":—
 - "university lands" means the lands vested in the university by section 11;

^{*} No. 8 of 1951. For this Act as amended to 1959, see the Reprint of Statutes (1826-1959), Volume 6, page 253. Subsequently amended by No. 10 of 1963, No. 55 of 1965, Nos. 41 and 56 of 1967, No. 4 of 1968, No. 22 of 1969, and No. 83 of 1975.

- (f) by omitting subsection (2) and substituting the following subsection:—
 - (2) If a question arises as to whether a person is—
 - (a) an employee, a member of the teaching staff, a temporary member of the teaching staff, or a student; or
 - (b) engaged in a full-time, part-time, or temporary capacity,

that question shall be determined by the council whose decision shall be final.

4—Section 4 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting sub-Amendment of section (3) and substituting the following subsections:—

section 4 of Principal Act (Continuance

- (3) The university shall consist of members of the council incorporation of university). and convocation, members of the teaching staff, the students, members of faculties, and employees.
- (4) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (3), a member of the teaching staff, an employee, or a student may make a statutory declaration that he has a conscientious objection to being a member of the university and, on delivering the declaration to the Registrar, he ceases to be a member of the university.
- (5) A person who makes a declaration under subsection (4) does not cease to be a member of the teaching staff, an employee, or a student, as the case may be, by virtue of the declaration.
- 5—Section 5 of the Principal Act is repealed and the following Substitution of section is substituted:—

section 5 of Principal Act.

- 5—(1) The council shall consist of the following Constitution persons:---
 - (a) the Chancellor, the Vice-Chancellor, the Pro-Vice-Chancellor (or if there are 2 or more Pro-Vice-Chancellors, one Pro-Vice-Chancellor, nominated by the council for the purpose), the Director-

- General of Education, and the President of the Tasmanian University Union, who are members by virtue of their offices:
- (b) subject to subsection (2), the Chairman of the Professorial Board:
- (c) six elected, as prescribed, by and from the members of the teaching staff, at least 2 of whom shall be professors and at least 2 of whom shall be of a rank other than professor;
- (d) one elected, as prescribed, by and from the employees;
- (e) subject to subsection (3), 2 elected, as prescribed, by the students:
- (f) one elected, as prescribed, by the members of the Legislative Council;
- (g) one elected, as prescribed, by the members of the House of Assembly:
- (h) subject to subsection (4), 4 elected, as prescribed, by the members of convocation;
- (i) subject to subsection (5), 4 appointed by the Governor:
- (j) five appointed by the Governor on the recommendation of the council.
- (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (1) (b), during any period when the person holding the office of Vice-Chancellor is also the Chairman of the Professorial Board, the Deputy Chairman of the Professorial Board shall be a member of the council in place of the Chairman of the Professorial Board.
- (3) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (1) (e), an employee, a member of the teaching staff, or a full-time temporary member of the teaching staff, who is also a student of the university, is not eligible to be elected as a member of the council under subsection (1) (e) nor shall such a person be entitled to vote in an election of a member of the council under that subsection.
 - (4) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 5 (1) (b)—
 - (a) the members of convocation who are eligible to vote at an election for members of the council; and

- (b) the persons who are entitled to be elected as members of the council at such an election,
- shall be persons who are not entitled to vote for, or to be elected as, members of the council, as the case may be, under subsection (1) (c), (d), or (e).
- (5) In making the appointments under subsection (1) (i), the Governor shall consider the desirability of the inclusion in the membership of the council of at least—
 - (a) two persons who have had wide experience, and demonstrated capacity, in commerce, industry, or agriculture; and
 - (b) one person who has his usual place of residence in the Northern Division of the State.
- (6) A person who is elected to the council under subsection (1) (c), (d), or (e) holds office for a term of 2 years.
- (7) A person who is elected to the council under subsection (1) (f), (g), or (h) or a person who is appointed to the council under subsection (1) (i) or (j) holds office for a term of 4 years.
- (8) An election for the purpose of subsection (1) (c) shall be held annually and 3 members shall be elected at each annual election.
- (9) An election for the purpose of subsection (1) (e) shall be held annually and one member shall be elected at each annual election.
- (10) An election for the purpose of subsection (1) (b) shall be held biennially and 2 members shall be elected at each biennial election.
- (11) Where a vacancy occurs in the office of a member of the council, other than a member who holds office under subsection (1) (a) or (b), the vacancy shall be filled by an election, as prescribed, or by the appointment of a person, as appropriate, to fill the vacancy, and the person so elected or appointed holds office for the remainder of his predecessor's term of office.
- (12) If a person whose usual place of residence is situated outside a radius of 10 kilometres from the general post office at Hobart is elected or appointed as a member of the council, the council may pay to that person, out of the funds at the disposal

of the council for the purposes of this Act, such sums as the council determines by way of reimbursement of the expenses incurred by him in travelling to and from meetings of the council.

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(13) A person who is elected or appointed as a member of the council under subsection (1) (c) to (j) and who holds office for 8 consecutive years as an elected or appointed member or partly as an elected member and partly as an appointed member is not again eligible to become a member of the council by election or appointment until a period of 2 years has elapsed from the expiration of the term of office during which that person completed the period of 8 consecutive years of membership of the council.

Substitution of section 6 of Principal Act.

6—Section 6 of the Principal Act is repealed and the following section is substituted:—

Chancellor and Deputy Chancellor.

- 6—(1) The office of Chancellor shall be filled, as prescribed, by election by the members of the council.
- (2) The Chancellor shall preside at all meetings of the council at which he is present.
- (3) If the council elects as Chancellor a person who is not a member of the council at the date on which his election as Chancellor takes effect, the person elected becomes a member of the council under section 5 (1) (a).
- (4) If the council elects as Chancellor a person who was a member of the council immediately before his election as Chancellor then that person becomes a member of the council under section 5 (1) (a) and there is a vacancy in his previous office as a member of the council which shall be filled in accordance with this Act.
- (5) The Chancellor holds office for a term of 4 years commencing on 1st January of the year following his election as Chancellor and he is eligible for re-election.
- (6) A person may be elected to and hold the office of Chancellor, notwithstanding that he is not at the time of his election, or subsequently, a resident of the State.

- (7) If the office of Chancellor becomes vacant before the expiry of the term of that office, the council shall elect a person to fill the vacancy, and the person elected holds office for the remainder of his predecessor's term of office.
- (8) The members of the council shall elect, as prescribed, a member of the council to the office of Deputy Chancellor.
- (9) The Deputy Chancellor holds office for a term of 4 years commencing on 1st January of the year following his election as Deputy Chancellor and if he is qualified to continue as a member of the council he is eligible for re-election as Deputy Chancellor.
- (10) The Deputy Chancellor shall exercise the powers and perform the functions of the Chancellor during a vacancy in the office of Chancellor or during any time when the Chancellor is absent from the State or unable to exercise his powers and to perform his functions as Chancellor.

7—After section 6 of the Principal Act, the following sections are Insertion in Principal Act of new sections 6A inserted:---

6A—(1) There shall be an office of Vice-Chancellor.

Vice-Chancellor.

- (2) The Vice-Chancellor shall be appointed by the council and he holds office on the terms and conditions, and at the salary, determined by the council.
 - (3) Whenever—
 - (a) there is a vacancy in the office of Vice-Chancellor;
 - (b) the Vice-Chancellor is absent from the State; or
 - (c) the council is satisfied that the Vice-Chancellor is unable to exercise his powers or perform his functions,

the council may appoint an acting Vice-Chancellor until the office of Vice-Chancellor is filled, or until the Vice-Chancellor has returned to the State, or is able to resume his functions and exercise his powers, as the case may be.

(4) The Chancellor may appoint an acting Vice-Chancellor in any circumstances where the council could do so, and a person who is so appointed as acting Vice-Chancellor holds office until the next meeting of the council.

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(5) An acting Vice-Chancellor may, while he is holding that office, exercise all the powers conferred, and perform all the functions imposed, on the Vice-Chancellor by this Act or the statutes of the University.

Pro-Vice-Chancellor.

- 6B—(1) The council may appoint one or more Pro-Vice-Chancellors on the terms and conditions determined by the council.
- (2) The functions to be performed by a Pro-Vice-Chancellor are such as the council may specify from time to time.

Amendment of section 7 of Principal Act (Vacation of office).

- 8—Section 7 of the Principal Act is amended as follows:—
 - (a) by omitting from subsection (1) (b) (iv) "or";
 - (b) by omitting subparagraph (v) of subsection (1) (b) and substituting the following subparagraphs:—
 - (v) being a member elected to the council under section 5 (1) (c) or (d), ceases to be qualified to be elected to the council in that capacity;
 - (vi) attains the age of 70 years; or
 - (vii) is absent, without leave of the council, from 3 consecutive meetings of the council.
 - (c) by omitting "subsection (3) of section 5" and substituting "section 5 (1) (c) to (j)".

Amendment of section 8 of Principal Act (Quorum of council). **9**—Section 8 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting "Eleven" and substituting "Fifteen".

Amendment of section 10 of Principal Act (Convocation).

- **10**—Section 10 of the Principal Act is amended as follows:—
 - (a) by omitting subsection (1) and substituting the following subsection:—

- (1) Convocation shall, subject to subsection (1A), consist of—
 - (a) all graduates of the university;
 - (b) members of the teaching staff, employees who are graduates of tertiary institutions recognized by the Standing Committee of Convocation for the purpose, and full-time temporary members of the teaching staff; and
 - (c) the members of the council.
- (b) by inserting the following subsection after subsection (1):—
 - (1A) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (1) (a) or (b), a person who becomes a member of convocation by virtue of subsection (1) (a) or (b) may deliver to the Registrar a statutory declaration that he has a conscientious objection to being a member of convocation, and on delivery of the declaration to the Registrar that person ceases to be a member of convocation.

11—Section 11 of the Principal Act is amended as follows:—

Amendment of section 11 of Principal Act (Vesting and control of

- (a) by omitting "said", wherever occurring, and substituting control of certain land).
 "university";
- (b) by omitting from subsection (3) (f) "and";
- (c) by omitting paragraph (g) of subsection (3) and substituting the following paragraphs:—
 - (g) prohibiting the bringing on to the university lands of any matter or thing prescribed in the by-laws;
 - (b) prohibiting the dangerous or careless driving of vehicles on the university lands;
 - (i) prohibiting the driving on the university lands of vehicles the mass of which, when laden, exceeds the amount prescribed in the bylaws;

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- (j) regulating the speed at which vehicles may be driven on the university lands;
- (k) regulating the route to be followed by traffic on roads, ways, or tracks within the university lands and regulating the gates and openings which may be used for the entrance or exit of vehicles and pedestrians to and from the university lands;
- (1) prescribing the parts of the university lands on which the parking of vehicles is permitted and regulating the manner in which vehicles shall be arranged within those parts of the university lands, prohibiting the parking of vehicles on the university lands other than as prescribed in the by-laws, and empowering authorized persons to remove a vehicle from the university lands if the vehicle is parked contrary to the by-laws;
- (m) prohibiting the moving, defacing, obscuring, or damaging of signs or markings erected or made on the university lands pursuant to the statutes, by-laws, or rules of the university;
- (n) prohibiting the moving, defacing, or damaging of a notice affixed to a vehicle pursuant to section 11A (2), other than by the person in charge of the vehicle to which the notice has been affixed;
- (o) regulating the persons or classes of persons who may park vehicles on the university lands and providing for the issuing of permits to those persons and for the payment by those persons to the university of fees for the permits;
- (p) authorizing the disposal, at the risk and expense of the owner of, or any person having an interest in, a vehicle which is deemed under subsection (7) to have been abandoned on the university lands; and

- (q) providing for a person who fails to comply with or contravenes a by-law made under this section to be guilty of an offence which shall be heard and determined summarily and for the imposition of penalties not exceeding \$40.
- (d) by omitting subsection (4) and substituting the following subsections:—
 - (4) Penalties imposed in respect of contraventions of or failures to comply with the by-laws made under this section shall be paid to the university and be applied for the general purposes of the Act.
 - (5) The fees paid to the university pursuant to a by-law made under subsection (3) (0) shall be applied for the general purposes of this Act.
 - (6) In proceedings by complaint in a court of competent jurisdiction for an offence against a by-law made under this section—
 - (a) an allegation in the complaint that the defendant was the owner or driver of the vehicle referred to in the complaint is evidence of the facts alleged;
 - (b) where it is proved that a vehicle was parked on the university lands contrary to a bylaw, there is a rebuttable presumption that the vehicle was parked by the owner; and
 - (c) where an owner is proceeded against for a parking offence under the by-laws and the owner alleges that another person parked the vehicle at the relevant time, a justice may, on the owner's application, issue a summons to that other person to attend the hearing of the complaint against the owner, at which if the offence is proved, the court hearing the complaint may—
 - (i) determine whether that other person did park the vehicle; and

- (ii) if the court finds that that other person did park the vehicle, discharge the owner and adjudge the other person guilty of the offence charged against owner, and impose on that other person any penalty that it could have imposed on the owner.
- (7) Where a vehicle is left on the university lands for more than 28 days, it shall be deemed to be abandoned.

Insertion in Principal Act

12—After section 11 of the Principal Act, the following section of new section is inserted:—

Alternative procedure for parking

- 11A—(1) Subject to subsection (4), instead of proceeding by complaint in respect of a parking offence against the by-laws, a person authorized by the council to do so may proceed by the alternative procedure provided in this section.
- (2) A person authorized by the council to do so may date, time, and affix a notice to a vehicle which is parked on the university lands contrary to the by-laws, requiring the owner to pay to the university within 14 days the sum prescribed from time to time by the council in the by-laws, but the amount prescribed shall not exceed the sum prescribed from time to time by the by-laws of the Corporation of the City of Hobart in respect of similar offences.
- (3) Where a notice is dated, timed, and affixed to a vehicle pursuant to the provisions of subsection (2) and the owner does not pay to the university within 14 days the amount prescribed as payable for the contravention in respect of which the notice was issued, an officer authorized by the council to do so may proceed against the owner by complaint for the breach of the by-laws committed by the parking of the vehicle.
- (4) An amount payable pursuant to a notice under subsection (2) may be paid to, and shall be accepted by, the university, at any time before a complaint for the offence in respect of which the notice was issued is called on for hearing in the court, but if it is paid—

- (a) after the 14 days referred to in subsection (2) and before the filing of the complaint, the amount shall be the sum prescribed from time to time by the council in the by-laws, but not exceeding the sum prescribed from time to time by the by-laws of the Corporation of the City of Hobart in respect of similar offences; or
- (b) after the filing of the complaint, the amount payable shall be the sum prescribed from time to time by the council in the by-laws, but the sum prescribed shall not exceed the sum prescribed from time to time by the by-laws of the Corporation of the City of Hobart in respect of similar offences.
- (5) If an owner of a vehicle who did not park the vehicle at the relevant time, and who did not proceed under section 11 (6) (c)—
 - (a) pays a fine imposed on him for a parking offence under the by-laws; or
 - (b) pays to the university the amount required to satisfy his liability on a notice issued under subsection (2),

the owner may recover the amount paid, and any costs imposed by the court, from the person who parked the vehicle at the relevant time.

- (6) An amount recoverable by an owner under subsection (5) may be recovered as a debt in a court of competent jurisdiction.
- (7) Where the university is paid the amount which is necessary to discharge the liability of a person specified in a notice issued under subsection (2), that payment is a bar to subsequent proceedings for the offence in respect of which the notice was issued.
 - (8) For the purposes of this section and section 11—
 - "owner" in relation to a vehicle includes-
 - (a) a person having any property in the vehicle, or who is in charge, or has the use of, the vehicle;

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- (b) a person who is registered as the owner of the vehicle under the *Traffic Act* 1925 or a law of a State or Territory of the Commonwealth requiring the registration of vehicles or vehicles of a particular kind:
- (c) the holder of a temporary permit issued under the regulations referred to in section 10 (3) of the *Traffic Act* 1925; and
- (d) the holder of a permit issued under the law of a State, Territory, or place referred to in section 10A (2) of the Traffic Act 1925;
- "park", in relation to a vehicle, means to stop the vehicle or allow it to remain in a place where the driver or person in charge of the vehicle intends it to remain stationary, otherwise than—
 - (a) because the stopping of traffic prevents movement: or
 - (b) so long only as is required to set down or take up passengers or goods without waiting.

Amendment of section 13 of Principal Act (Power to confer degrees).

- **13**—Section 13 of the Principal Act is amended as follows:—
 - (a) by inserting in paragraph (a) "and" after "examination;";
 - (b) by omitting paragraphs (b) and (c) and substituting the following paragraph:—
 - (b) honorary degrees on persons who, in the opinion of the council, are distinguished visitors or outstanding scholars, or who have given outstanding service to the Commonwealth, to the State, or to the university.

Amendment of section 15 of Principal Act (Financial provisions).

- 14—Section 15 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting subsection (1) and substituting the following subsection:—
 - (1) In every financial year the Treasurer shall pay to the council out of the Consolidated Revenue such sums as may be provided by Parliament for the purposes of this Act.

- **15**—Section 18 of the Principal Act is amended as follows:—
 - (a) by omitting paragraph (g) of subsection (1) and sub-therefore the principal Act (Power to stituting the following paragraph:—
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 - (g) The appointment and removal of members of the teaching staff, temporary full-time or temporary part-time members of the teaching staff, employees, part-time or temporary employees, and other officers and servants of the university:
 - (b) by omitting paragraph (b) of subsection (1) and substituting the following paragraph:-
 - (h) The charges, fees, and deposits payable (including charges and fees for enrolment in classes, for exemption from attending lectures, for examinations, for admission to degrees, diplomas, and certificates, and for matriculation) and the fees payable by students for the maintenance of common rooms and facilities for students generally;
 - (c) by omitting subsection (7) and substituting the following subsections:—
 - (7) Except as provided by subsection (8) or (9), the council, before making a new statute or amending or repealing an existing statute, or making, amending, or repealing a rule under a statute, shall, if the proposed statute or rule or, as the case may be, the statute or rule proposed to be amended or repealed, relates to any of the matters specified in paragraphs (a) to (k)and (m) and (q) of subsection (1), submit it for the consideration and report of the Professorial Board.
 - (7A) The council shall take into consideration a report from the Professorial Board given pursuant to subsection (7) before it makes, amends, or repeals the statute or rule.
 - (7B) The council shall not proceed with the making, amendment, or repeal of a statute or rule referred to in subsection (7) until the expiration of one month (or such further period, if any, as the council may allow in a particular case) after the date on which the statute or rule was submitted to the Professorial Board.

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 - (7c) If, at the expiration of the period referred to in subsection (7B), the Professorial Board has not made a report to the council, the council may proceed as if subsections (7), (7A), and (7B) had not been enacted.
 - (d) by omitting "paragraphs (a) to (f)" from subsection (8) and substituting "paragraphs (a) to (k) and (m)and (q)";
 - (e) by omitting "paragraphs (a) to (f)" from subsection (9) and substituting "paragraphs (a) to (k) and (m)and (a)".

Transitional provisions.

- **16**—(1) The persons holding office at the commencement of this Act as members of the council under section 5(3)(a) and (b)of the Principal Act as it was in force immediately before the commencement of this Act shall, on that commencement, be deemed to have been elected as members of council under section 5(1)(c) of the Principal Act, as amended by this Act, but their terms of office shall terminate as though the Principal Act had not been amended by this Act.
- (2) As soon as practicable after the commencement of this Act, an election for 3 members of the council shall be held for the purpose of section 5 (1) (c) of the Principal Act, as amended by this Act. and-
 - (a) the first 2 members elected shall have terms of office beginning on the date of their election and terminating on 31st December 1981; and
 - (b) the last member elected shall have a term of office beginning on the date of his election and terminating on 31st December 1980.
- (3) In October or November 1980 and each year thereafter, there shall be an election for 3 members of the council for the purpose of section 5 (1) (c) of the Principal Act, as amended by this Act, and the members elected shall hold office on and from the following 1st January.
- (4) An election for the purpose of section 5(1)(d) of the Principal Act, as amended by this Act, shall be held as soon as practicable after the commencement of this Act and the person elected holds office as a member of the council from the date of his election to 31st December 1981; subsequent elections for the purpose of that section shall be held biennially in October or November commencing in the year 1981 and the person elected holds office on and from the following 1st January.

- (5) The person holding office as a member of the council at the commencement of this Act under section 5 (3) (c) of the Principal Act as it was in force immediately before the commencement of this Act shall, on that commencement, be deemed to have been elected as a member of the council under section 5 (1) (e) of the Principal Act, as amended by this Act, except that his term of office shall terminate on 31st December 1980.
- (6) As soon as practicable after the commencement of this Act an election for one other member of the council shall be held for the purpose of section 5 (1) (e) of the Principal Act, as amended by this Act, and the member so elected holds office from the date of his election until 31st December 1981.
- (7) In September or October 1980 and in each year thereafter, there shall be an election for one member of the council for the purpose of section 5 (1) (e) of the Principal Act, as amended by this Act, and the member elected holds office on and from the following 1st January.
- (8) The persons holding office as members of the council at the commencement of this Act under section 5 (3) (d), (e), and (g) of the Principal Act as it was in force immediately before the commencement of this Act shall, on that commencement, be deemed to have been elected as members of the council under section 5 (1) (f), (g), and (h) respectively of the Principal Act as amended by this Act, and their terms of office shall terminate as if the Principal Act had not been amended by this Act, and on that termination elections for those offices shall be held in accordance with the Principal Act, as amended by this Act.
- (9) The persons holding office as members of the council at the commencement of this Act under section 5 (3) (f) of the Principal Act as it was in force immediately before the commencement of this Act shall, on that commencement, be deemed to have been appointed under section 5 (1) (i) of the Principal Act as amended by this Act and they shall complete their terms of office as though the Principal Act had not been amended by this Act and on that completion appointments shall be made in accordance with the Principal Act, as amended by this Act.
- (10) The 3 persons holding office at the commencement of this Act as members of the council under section 5 (3) (b) of the Principal Act as it was in force immediately before the commencement of this Act shall, on that commencement, be deemed to have

been appointed under section 5 (1) (j) of the Principal Act, as amended by this Act, and their terms of office shall end on 31st December 1981.

- (11) As soon as practicable after the commencement of this Act, the council shall recommend for appointment by the Governor as members of the council 2 other persons, who shall hold office from the date of their appointment until 31st December 1983.
- (12) The council shall in 1981 and every 4 years thereafter nominate 3 persons for appointment by the Governor to hold office as members of the council for a period of 4 years from 1st January in the year following, and in 1983 and every 4 years thereafter it shall nominate 2 persons for appointment by the Governor to hold office for a period of 4 years from 1st January in the year following.
- (13) For the purposes of reckoning the period of 8 consecutive years as a member of the council referred to in section 5 (13) of the Principal Act, as amended by this Act, any period of membership of the council which occurred before 1st January 1978 shall be excluded.
- (14) The persons holding office at the commencement of this Act as Chancellor and Deputy Chancellor under the Principal Act, as it was in force immediately before the commencement of this Act, shall complete their terms of office as if the Principal Act had not been amended by this Act, and shall accordingly hold office until 31st December 1981 and on the expiration of those terms of office those offices shall be filled in accordance with the Principal Act, as amended by this Act.
- (15) The person holding office as Vice-Chancellor at the commencement of this Act shall be deemed to have been appointed under, and in accordance with the provisions of, section 6A of the Principal Act as amended by this Act.
- (16) Members of the council who were over the age of 70 at the time of the passing of this Act or who reach the age of 70 in their term of office during which this Act is passed shall not cease to be members by virtue of the provisions of section 7(1)(b)(vi) of the Principal Act, but shall not be eligible for reappointment or re-election on the completion of their current terms of office.