LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Read 1° 8 March, 1978

(Brought in by Mr. Hamer and Mr. Thompson.)

A BILL

To amend the Victorian Film Corporation Act 1976 to make Provision for and with respect to Committees.

B^E it enacted by the Queen'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 5 to say):--

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the Victorian Film Corporation Short title. (Amendment) Act 1978.

(2) In this Act the Victorian Film Corporation Act 1976 is called Principal Act. the Principal Act.

10 (3) This Act shall come into operation on the day on which Commenceit receives the Royal Assent.

2. After section 12 of the Principal Act there shall be inserted Amendment of No. 8864.

Amendment of No. 8864. New s. 12A. "Officer of public service."

12A. For the purposes of section 5 and section 13A "officer
15 of the public service" means a person employed under a contract of service—

(a) by the Crown whether employed pursuant to the *Public* Service Act 1974, the Teaching Service Act 1958 or otherwise; or

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(b) by

(b) by any public statutory authority constituted under the law of the State.'

Amendment of No. 8864. New s. 13A. Committees.

3. After section 13 of the Principal Act there shall be inserted the following section.

"13A. (1) With the approval of the Minister in each case, the 5 Corporation may whenever it sees fit appoint a committee in accordance with this section to investigate and report to the Corporation on a specified matter or matters which is or are within the powers of the Corporation.

(2) A committee may be constituted of—

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- (a) members of the Corporation; or
- (b) a member or members of the Corporation and any other person or persons-
 - (i) the use of whose services has or have been 15 obtained pursuant to section 18;
 - (ii) who has or have skills qualifications or expertise relevant to the matter or matters to be investigated by the committee.

(3) The chairman of the Corporation or a person acting as the chairman pursuant to section 9 shall ex officio be a member 20 of a committee.

(4) At least one member of a committee (other than a person referred to in sub-section (3)) shall be a member of the Corporation.

(5) The Minister shall appoint a member of the Corporation who is a member of the committee as chairman of a committee.

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(6) A quorum of a committee is constituted by a majority of the members of the committee including the chairman of the committee.

(7) Subject to there being a quorum present the decision of the majority of the members present at a duly convened meeting 30 shall be the decision of the committee on that question and in the case of an equality of votes the chairman of the Committee shall have a casting vote.

(8) A committee shall report in writing to the Corporation at the conclusion of its investigation and at any other time when 35 requested by the Corporation.

(9) Subject to this Act a committee may regulate its own procedure.

(10) A member of a committee who is not an officer of the public service or who is not otherwise entitled to remuneration for 40 services to the Corporation shall be entitled to receive such remuneration as is fixed by the Governor in Council.

(11) A member

(11) A member of a committee shall be entitled to receive such travelling and personal expenses or such allowances in respect of travelling and personal expenses as are fixed by the Governor in Council.

5 (12) A member of a committee who is not otherwise subject to the *Public Service Act* 1974 shall not by virtue of his membership of the committee be subject to that Act."

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