

COMMONWEALTH CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION (NO. 2).

No. 86 of 1949.

An Act to declare that the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration is empowered to determine a Basic Wage for Adult Females, and for purposes related thereto.

[Assented to 29th October, 1949.]

BE it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, the Senate, and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, as follows:—

1.—(1.) This Act may be cited as the *Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Act (No. 2) 1949.* Short title
and citation.

(2.) The *Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Act 1904–1948**, as amended by the *Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Act 1949†*, is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

(3.) Section one of the *Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Act 1949* is amended by omitting sub-section (3.).

(4.) The Principal Act, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the *Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Act 1904–1949.*

2. This Act shall come into operation on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent. Commencement.

3. Section thirteen of the Principal Act is amended—

(a) by inserting in paragraph (b), after the word “wage”, the words “for adult males (that is to say, that wage, or that part of a wage, which is just and reasonable for an adult male, without regard to any circumstance pertaining to the work upon which, or the industry in which, he is employed)”; and Limitation of
jurisdiction of
Conciliation
Commissioners.

(b) by omitting from paragraph (d) the words “minimum rate of remuneration for adult females in an industry” and inserting in their stead the words “basic wage for adult females (that is to say, that wage, or that part of a wage, which is just and reasonable for an adult female, without regard to any circumstance pertaining to the work upon which, or the industry in which, she is employed) or the principles upon which it is computed”.

Act No. 13, 1904, as amended by No. 28, 1909; No. 7, 1910; No. 6, 1911; Nos. 5 and 18, 1914; No. 35, 1915; No. 39, 1918; No. 31, 1920; No. 29, 1921; No. 22, 1926; No. 8, 1927; No. 18, 1928; No. 43, 1930; Nos. 45 and 54, 1934; Nos. 14 and 30, 1946; Nos. 10 and 52, 1947; and No. 77, 1948.

† Act No. 28, 1949.

Jurisdiction of Court with respect to certain matters.

4. Section twenty-five of the Principal Act is amended—

- (a) by inserting in paragraph (b), after the word “wage”, the words “for adult males (that is to say, that wage, or that part of a wage, which is just and reasonable for an adult male, without regard to any circumstance pertaining to the work upon which, or the industry in which, he is employed)” ; and
- (b) by omitting from paragraph (d) the words “minimum rate of remuneration for adult females in an industry” and inserting in their stead the words “basic wage for adult females (that is to say, that wage, or that part of a wage, which is just and reasonable for an adult female, without regard to any circumstance pertaining to the work upon which, or the industry in which, she is employed) or the principles upon which it is computed”.

Operation of amendments.

5. The application of the Principal Act as amended by this Act extends to industrial disputes which are before the Court or a Conciliation Commissioner at the commencement of this Act.

CHRISTMAS ISLAND AGREEMENT.

No. 87 of 1949.

An Act to authorize the Execution on behalf of the Government of Australia of an Agreement with the Government of New Zealand relating to certain Rights vested in those Governments jointly in connexion with Phosphate Deposits on Christmas Island, and for other purposes.

[Assented to 29th October, 1949.]

BE it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, the Senate, and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, as follows:—

- Short title.** 1. This Act may be cited as the *Christmas Island Agreement Act* 1949.
- Commencement.** 2. This Act shall come into operation on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent.
- Definition.** 3. In this Act, “the Commission” means the Christmas Island Phosphate Commission constituted under the agreement the execution of which is authorized by this Act.