Archbishop of Sydney (Election and Retirement) Amendment Ordinance 2010

No 25, 2010

Long Title

An ordinance to amend the Archbishop of Sydney Election Ordinance 1982 and the Retirements Ordinance 1993.

The Synod of the Diocese of Sydney Ordains as follows.

1. Name of Ordinance

This Ordinance is the Archbishop of Sydney (Election and Retirement) Amendment Ordinance 2010.

2. Amendment of the Archbishop of Sydney Election Ordinance 1982

The Archbishop of Sydney Election Ordinance 1982 is amended as follows –

- (a) delete the matter "of 8 weeks" in clause 2(2) and insert instead the matter "no sooner than 20 weeks and no later than 14 weeks", and
- (b) delete clause 5(1) and insert instead the following
 - "(1) Where the Standing Committee has passed a resolution under subclause (1) of clause 2, the person who, on the occurrence of a vacancy in the See of Sydney, is entitled under the Constitutions to exercise the powers vested in the Archbishop shall, within 21 days after the passing of the resolution, summon, by notice in writing given, so far as is possible, to each member of the Synod, a meeting of the Synod in order to fill the vacancy.
 - (1A) Where the Standing Committee has passed a resolution under subclause (2) of clause 2, the Archbishop shall, within 21 days after the passing of the resolution, summon, by notice in writing given, so far as is possible, to each member of the Synod, a meeting of the Synod in order to fill the vacancy.", and
- (c) insert after clause 5(2) a new clause 5(2A) as follows –

"(2A) A meeting of the Synod summoned under subclause (1A) of this clause -

- shall be held within the period being not less than 3 weeks and not more than 6 weeks after the occurrence of the vacancy;
- may commence on any day (b) of the week; and
- (c) shall be held at a place within the Diocese of Sydney.", and
- (d) in clause 5(3) insert the matter "or (1A)" after the matter "(1)", and
- delete the matter "within 6 weeks after the occurrence of (e) the vacancy" in clause 6A(1) and insert instead the following -

"not later than 42 days before the day on which the meeting of the Synod shall commence,", and

(f) delete the matter "person specified in the notice referred to in subclause (1) of clause 5" wherever it occurs in clauses 6A(1), 6A(3), 7(2A), 7(4) and 7(5) and insert instead the following -

> "specified person referred to in paragraph (d) of clause 5(3)", and

delete the words "has expressed an interest in accepting (g) nomination and acknowledges that a search will be" in clause 7(2)(c) and insert instead the following -

"has consented to a search being", and

delete the matter "person and at the place specified in (h) the notice referred to in subclause (1) of clause 5" in clause 7(2)(e) and insert instead the following -

> "specified person and at the specified place referred to in paragraph (d) of clause 5(3)", and

delete the matter "clause 5" in clause 33A(b) and insert (i) instead the matter "clause 5(1)".

Amendment of the Retirements Ordinance 1993

The Retirements Ordinance 1993 is amended as follows -

renumber clause 4 as clause 4(1) and in renumbered 4(1) insert after the word "Minister" the matter "(other than the Archbishop)", and

- (b) insert a new clause 4(2) as follows -
 - "(2) It is a term of appointment of a person elected as the Archbishop that, subject to clause 5, such person retires at age 68 years.", and
- (c) delete clause 5(1)(a) and insert instead the following
 - "(a) in the case of the Archbishop, by resolution of the Standing Committee passed
 - (i) by a three-quarters majority of members present and entitled to vote in each house of clergy and laity at the relevant meeting; and
 - (ii) after the Archbishop has reached the age of 65 years;".

4. Transitional

The amendments made by clause 3 of this Ordinance apply only in relation to a person elected to the office of Archbishop of Sydney on or after the date assent is given to this Ordinance.

I Certify that the Ordinance as printed is in accordance with the Ordinance as reported.

R TONG Chairman of Committees

We Certify that this Ordinance was passed by the Synod of the Diocese of Sydney on 18 October 2010.

CJ MORONEY R WICKS Secretaries of Synod

I Assent to this Ordinance.

PETER F JENSEN Archbishop of Sydney 21/10/2010