Elections Ordinance Amendment Ordinance 1976

No. 37, 1976

AN ORDINANCE to amend the Elections Ordinance 1970.

WHEREAS by resolution No. 34 of 1975 the Synod requested Standing Committee to consider the desirability of providing additional information regarding candidates for elections held by Synod and if thought desirable to consider ways and means of providing that information AND WHEREAS Standing Committee has resolved that it is desirable to provide additional information with regard to candidates in contested elections and whereas for that purpose it is necessary to amend the Elections Ordinance 1970 NOW the Synod of the Diocese of Sydney HEREBY ORDAINS DECLARES DIRECTS AND RULES as follows:--

(1) This Ordinance may be cited as the "Elections Ordinance Amendment Ordinance 1976".

(2) The Elections Ordinance 1970 is in this Ordinance referred

- to as the "Principal Ordinance".
 (3) The Principal Ordinance as amended by this Ordinance may be cited as the "Elections Ordinance 1970-1976" and in any reprint of that Ordinance as amended by this Ordinance clause 42 shall be amended accordingly.
 - The Principal Ordinance is hereby amended by:-
 - (a) Deteting "42" in clause 6 and inserting "56".(b) Deleting "28" in clause 7 and inserting "42".

(c) Amending clause 7 as follows:—

(i) Deleting "and an" following "name".
(ii) Deleting "sufficient to identify" and inserting "of".
(d) Inserting the following new clause after clause 14:—

- "14A. (1) The Secretaries shall invite each candidate in a contested election to prepare a precis of not more than 35 words with reference to such matters as his or her:-(a) Occupation:
 - (b) Professional, academic or other qualifications;

(c) Previous relevant experience;

(d) Offices held in parish, Diocese or other Christian bodies.

(2) The precis referred to in sub-clause (1) hereof shall be delivered to the Secretaries not less than 14 days prior to the date appointed for the assembling of the Synod.

(3) The Secretaries shall arrange for the precis received by them or, if no precis has been received, a statement to that effect to be printed in alphabetic order according to the candidates' surnames."

(e) Inserting the following after "office" in clause 17:-"and a copy of the precis or, if no precis has been received, a statement to that effect printed pursuant to sub-clause (3) of clause 14A hereof".

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

ATHOL RICHARDSON, Chairman of Committees.

We certify that this Ordinance was passed by the Synod of the Diocese of Sydney this 11th day of October, 1976.

R, J. BOMFORD, W. G. S. GOTLEY, Secretaries of Synod.

I assent to this Ordinance.

11/10/76.

M. L. LOANE, Archbishop of Sydney.