

Relinquishment of Holy Orders Amending Ordinance 2002

No 59, 2002

An Ordinance to amend the Relinquishment of Holy Orders Ordinance 1994 to allow a person who previously held the licence or authority of the Archbishop or who resides in the Diocese to be regarded as having relinquished his or her holy orders and for purposes related thereto.

The Synod of the Diocese of Sydney Ordains -

Name of Ordinance

1. This ordinance is the Relinquishment of Holy Orders Amending Ordinance 2002.

Amendment of the Relinquishment of Holy Orders Ordinance 1994

2. Clause 2(1) of the Relinquishment of Holy Orders Ordinance 1994 is amended as follows-

- (a) the matter "or has held" is inserted after the word "holds",
- (b) the matter "or former Archbishop or resides in the Diocese" is inserted after the word "Archbishop" where it first appears.

3. The first occurrence of the word "the" in clause 4(2) is deleted and the word "any" is inserted instead.

4. Clause 4 of the Relinquishment of Holy Orders Ordinance 1994 is amended by adding the following to the end of that clause

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- "(3) The Archbishop may give notice that a person is to be regarded as having relinquished his or her Holy Orders from a particular date to such persons as the Archbishop considers necessary.
- (4) Where the notice referred to under clause 2(1) includes an admission of misconduct by the person in Holy Orders, the Archbishop may include a statement of the general nature of that misconduct in the notice under clause 4(3)."

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

PG KELL
Chairman of Committees

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We Certify that this Ordinance was passed by the Synod of the
Diocese of Sydney on 22 October 2002.

CJ MORONEY
MA PAYNE
Secretaries of Synod

I Assent to this Ordinance.

PETER F JENSEN
Archbishop of Sydney
23/10/2002