Regions Amendment Ordinance 2006

No 36, 2006

Long Title

An Ordinance to amend the Regions Ordinance 1995 and the Standing Committee Ordinance 1897.

The Synod of the Diocese of Sydney Ordains as follows.

1. Name

This Ordinance is the Regions Amendment Ordinance 2006.

2. Amendment of the Regions Ordinance 1995

The Regions Ordinance 1995 is amended as follows -

- (a) in clause 5(1)
 - (i) delete the matter "the area deanery for which that person was elected as a member of the Regional Council." in paragraph (e) and insert instead "an area deanery in the Region, or", and
 - (ii) insert a new paragraph (f) as follows -
 - "(f) if that person commences being from an area deanery in the Region different from the one at the time of his or her election and as a consequence there ceases to be at least 1 layperson and 1 Minister from each area deanery in the Region elected as members of the Regional Council by the Regional Electors of the Region."
- (b) in clause 6(i) -
 - (i) delete the matter ", to make enquiries into aspects of ministry in the Region or any part of the Region", and
 - (ii) delete the word "and" at the end, and
- (c) insert a new clause 6(j) (with consequential re-lettering of existing clause 6(j) as 6(k)) as follows
 - "(j) to make recommendations to the Archbishop about alterations to regional boundaries; and", and

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(d) insert the words "and the exercise of each of its functions under clause 6" after the word "proceedings" in clause 9(2).

3. Amendment of the Standing Committee Ordinance 1897

- (1) The Standing Committee Ordinance 1897 is amended as follows -
 - (a) delete clause 1(2) and insert instead the following -
 - "(2) In this Ordinance a person is from a Region if -
 - (a) in the case of a Qualified Minister that person is licensed to a parochial unit in that Region; and
 - (b) in the case of a Qualified Lay Person that person is a parishioner of a church in that Region.", and
 - (b) insert a new clause 2(1)(h) (with consequential relettering of existing clause 2(1)(h) as 2(1)(i)) as follows -
 - "(h) in the case of an Elected Member referred to in clauses 1A(1)(d) and (e), ceasing to be from the Region for which that person was elected as a member of the Standing Committee;", and
 - (c) delete clause 3(3) and insert instead the following -
 - "(3) A casual vacancy in the office of an Elected Member referred to in clauses 1A(1)(d) and (e) may be filled by the Regional Electors of the Region by an election conducted under the Synod Elections Ordinance 2000 provided that -
 - (a) a notice of the election under rule 3.1 of the Schedule to the Synod Elections Ordinance 2000 is to be sent as soon as practicable after the casual vacancy occurs, and
 - (b) the subsequent time frames for the election are to correspond to those that

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apply to a ballot held before the first appointed day of a session of the Synod."

- (2) The amendments made by clauses 3(1)(a) and (b) apply to an Elected Member referred to in clauses 1A(1)(d) and (e) of the Standing Committee Ordinance 1897 whether the person was elected to that position before or after this Ordinance commences.
- (3) The amendment made by clause 3(1)(c) does not apply to casual vacancies in the office of an Elected Member referred to in clauses 1A(1)(d) and (e) of the Standing Committee Ordinance 1897 which occur before this Ordinance commences.

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

PG KELL Chairman of Committees

We Certify that this Ordinance was passed by the Synod of the Diocese of Sydney on 24 October 2006.

R WICKS CJ MORONEY Secretaries of Synod

I Assent to this Ordinance.

PETER F JENSEN Archbishop of Sydney 30/10/2006