

# Standing Committee Ordinance 1897 and Synod Membership Ordinance 1995 Amendment Ordinance 2022

No 38, 2022

## Long Title

An Ordinance to amend the *Standing Committee Ordinance 1897* and *Synod Membership Ordinance 1995*.

The Synod of the Diocese of Sydney Ordains as follows.

### 1. Name

This Ordinance is the Standing Committee Ordinance 1897 and Synod Membership Ordinance 1995 Amendment Ordinance 2022.

### 2. Amendments to the *Standing Committee Ordinance 1897*

The *Standing Committee Ordinance 1897* is amended as follows –

- (a) delete the matter ‘Registrar’ in subclause 1A(1) and insert instead the matter ‘Archbishop’s Executive Officer’, and
- (b) substitute the word “Archbishop” for the word “Bishop” in subclause 4(3).

### 3. Amendments to the *Synod Membership Ordinance 1995*

The *Synod Membership Ordinance 1995* is amended as follows –

- (a) insert the following at the end of the declaration in clause 6(1) prior to the full stop –

“and have not been convicted of a disqualifying offence listed in Schedule 2 of the *Child Protection (Working with Children) Act 2012*”,
- (b) delete the first occurrence of the word “Each” in the text of clause 7 and insert the following matter instead –

“Subject to subclauses 8D(1) and (2), each”,
- (c) delete the first occurrence of the word “A” in the text of subclause 8A(1) and insert the following matter instead –

“Subject to subclause 8D(3), a”,
- (d) insert the following in subclause 8B(1) after the first occurrence of the words “Parochial minister”–

“or appointed under subclause 8D(4)”,
- (e) insert the following in clause 8C after the matter “clause 8A” –

“or as an alternate under subclause 8D(4)”,
- (f) insert a new clause 8D as follows –

#### **“8D. Regional Bishops, Nominated Ministers and Parochial Ministers who are acting rectors**

(1) A Regional Bishop or Nominated Minister who is an acting rector of one or more Parochial Units is not a member of Synod as a Parochial Minister while he remains a member of the Synod as a Regional Bishop or Nominated Minister.

(2) A Parochial Minister who is licensed as the rector of a Parochial Unit while also licensed as an acting rector of any other Parochial Unit is not a member of Synod as a Parochial Minister of the Parochial Unit(s) of which he is licensed as acting rector.

(3) A Regional Bishop, Nominated Minister or Parochial Minister to whom subclause 8D(1) or (2) applies may not appoint an alternate under subclause 8A(1) for the Parochial Minister of any Parochial Unit of which they are an acting rector.

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(4) Notwithstanding subclauses 8D(1) and (2), a Regional Bishop, Nominated Minister or Parochial Minister to whom one of those subclauses apply –

- (a) may appoint a Minister licenced to the Parochial Unit(s) of which they are acting rector to be the alternate for the Parochial Minister of that Parochial Unit for a session of the Synod by giving a notice to the Registrar in accordance with clause 8A(2), and
  - (b) is deemed to be the Parochial Minister of the Parochial Unit(s) for the purposes of subclauses 8A(2), (3) and 8C.”
- (g) delete clause 52 and insert instead the following -

**“52. The Archbishop’s Executive Officer**

The Archbishop’s Executive Officer is a member of the Synod and must be summoned to each session of the Synod.”

**4. Amendments to the Interpretation Ordinance 1985**

The *Interpretation Ordinance 1985* is amended by inserting the following definition in the Schedule in alphabetical order –

“Archbishop’s Executive Officer – The person fulfilling the function of executive officer to the Archbishop regardless of the name that is given to their position.”

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

P COLGAN  
Chair of Committee

I Certify that this Ordinance was passed by the Synod of the Diocese of Sydney on 13 September 2022.

D GLYNN  
Secretary of Synod

I Assent to this Ordinance.

KANISHKA RAFFEL  
Archbishop of Sydney

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