

CONSTITUTION AND PARLIAMENT

CONSTITUTION

Victorian Constitution

The Constitution of Victoria is to be found in the *Constitution Act 1975*, an Act of the Victorian Parliament. The Bill was passed by the Victorian Parliament in May 1975 and reserved for the Royal Assent, which was given on 22 October 1975 and notified in the *Victoria Government Gazette* on 19 November 1975. The Act was proclaimed to come into operation on 1 December 1975. Details of the Act may be found in the *Victorian Year Book 1977* on pages 924-43.

During the first 120 years of responsible government in Victoria, the Constitution was contained in the Schedule to an Act of the United Kingdom Parliament passed in 1855. The Victorian Parliament has had at all times the power to adopt a Constitution for Victoria based upon an Act of the Victorian Parliament, and it is somewhat surprising that the Victorian Parliament waited until 1975 to exercise this power.

In the *Constitution Act 1975* there are to be found the basic laws governing the relationship of the Crown to the State, the constitution and powers of the Parliament, the constitution and powers of the Supreme Court, and the relationship of the Executive to the Parliament.

The Constitution is a flexible constitution and can be altered at any time by an Act of the Victorian Parliament, although in some cases an absolute majority in each House is required for a Bill which would alter some of the fundamental provisions in the Constitution.

The system in Victoria provides for responsible Cabinet government based on a legislature of two Houses, both elected upon adult franchise. The Constitution is affected by the Commonwealth Constitution enacted by the *Commonwealth of Australia Constitution Act 1900*, an Act of the Imperial Parliament, by which legislative and executive powers upon certain specified matters were granted to the Commonwealth Parliament and the Commonwealth Government, some of them exclusively, and provision was made that, in the case of inconsistency of valid laws, the Commonwealth law should prevail. In the result, the Victorian Parliament may make laws in and for Victoria upon all matters not exclusively granted to the Commonwealth Parliament by the Commonwealth Constitution, but upon some of these matters the Victorian law may be superseded by the passing of a Commonwealth Act. Local government, that is, the control exercised by municipal councils within their respective districts, is a matter of State law and wholly within the legislative control of the Victorian Parliament, but in 1979 the place of local government in Victoria was recognised by the incorporation of a new Part 11A in the *Constitution Act 1975*.

Relationship to Commonwealth Constitution

The Victorian Constitution must be understood in relation to the effect of the Commonwealth Constitution on the jurisdiction of the States. There are three main provisions in the Commonwealth Constitution which establish its relationships with State Constitutions in Australia. The first is section 51, which sets out most of the areas within which the Commonwealth Parliament may make laws. Matters outside the listed areas of power are the province of the States.

The second provision is section 109, which states that where the Commonwealth and a State have made laws which are inconsistent with one another, the State law is, to the extent of the inconsistency, invalid. However, if the Commonwealth has exceeded its powers in making its law, it has not really made the law at all, so there is no inconsistency and the State law stands.

The operation of these two provisions leaves the States, including Victoria, with power to make laws in the following cases:

- (1) where the Commonwealth has no power to make laws;
- (2) where the Commonwealth has power in a particular field but has not exercised it at all; and
- (3) where the Commonwealth has power which it has exercised, but not so as to cover the whole legislative field.

Where the Commonwealth has power over a particular field and has exercised that power to the full, any law a State passes will be inconsistent with the Commonwealth law, and inoperative.

The third provision, section 96, provides that the Commonwealth may grant financial assistance to any State on such terms and conditions as the Commonwealth Parliament thinks fit. Section 96 has been used in conjunction with the taxing power of the Commonwealth to establish the economic supremacy of the Commonwealth over the States. The Commonwealth has done this since 1942 by levying income tax at a uniform rate and then giving a portion of this back to the States on the condition (attached under the power given by section 96) that the States refrained from levying income tax themselves.

This financial pre-eminence of the Commonwealth has led to the distinction between its province and the province of the States becoming blurred in practice. Nevertheless, some generalisations are possible. The Commonwealth exercises exclusive power in fields such as defence and foreign affairs where it is important to consider the nation as a whole. As the Commonwealth holds financial pre-eminence, it automatically assumes the task of economic planning. The Victorian Government, on the other hand, is primarily responsible for such things as health, education, law enforcement, the administration of justice, the control of resources, and the provision of roads, water, sewerage, power, and other services. Under Victorian law a complete system of local government has been established. The State has established a complete system of courts, a police force, a teaching service, and many public statutory bodies to provide services for the people.

Australian Constitutional Convention

The Adelaide Plenary Session of the Convention held in the South Australian Legislative Assembly was officially opened by the Governor-General, His Excellency the Right Honourable Sir Ninian Stephen, A.K., G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O., K.B.E., K. St. J., on 26 April 1983.

The Convention considered a comprehensive agenda which was developed by Standing Committee D and its sub-committees over the period since the previous Convention held in Perth in 1978. Items on the Adelaide agenda included proposals for an integrated system of courts; consideration of a declaration of constitutional practices; four-year and fixed-term Parliaments; changes to legislative powers; and suggestions relating to the Convention's organisation, its future, and the implementation of any resolutions passed by the Convention.

The Plenary Session was held over four days in a changed political atmosphere. The election of a Federal Labor Government in March 1983, the change in a number of governments at the State level, and the election of new leaders caused a realignment of delegations which brought many new delegates to the Convention. In addition, the continued public debate on the Tasmanian dams issue was causing strains in Commonwealth/State relations and this was reflected within the Convention structure.

An important item on the agenda was the composition of the Convention. The appointment of delegations was the responsibility of the individual Parliaments themselves but differences were expressed over the composition of the Queensland and Tasmanian delegations. It was agreed to refer this matter back to the Standing Committee who at their meeting held in Melbourne in December 1983 adopted a series of principles to assist in the future composition of delegations.

At the Adelaide Convention, for the first time, observers were granted status with restricted access to papers and limited participation within the proceedings of the Convention.

The Convention finally agreed to a number of resolutions and referred other matters back to the Standing Committee for consideration and report. The Executive Committee at its meeting held on 3 June 1983 appointed six sub-committees to consider a range of issues. The sub-committees created and their terms of reference are as follows:

SUB-COMMITTEES AND TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE AUSTRALIAN CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION, ELECTED JUNE 1983

Sub-committee	Terms of reference
Judicature	Integrated system of courts including Family Law
External Affairs	Scope and effect of powers under section 51 (xxix) including treaties
Fiscal Powers	States' fiscal powers, Commonwealth immunities, and paramourncy

SUB-COMMITTEES AND TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE AUSTRALIAN
CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION, ELECTED JUNE 1983 — *continued*

Sub-committee	Terms of reference
Structure of Government	Constitutional practices, qualifications of members, and recognition of local government
Constitutional Amendment	Future composition of the Convention, Convention resolutions, States' initiative, popular initiative, and amendments to section 128
Industrial Relations	Operations and limitations of section 51(xxxv) and an appropriate distribution of responsibility

The sub-committees met regularly during 1983 and 1984 with the Standing Committee requesting that each of the sub-committees finalise their reports by 30 June 1984.

Several sub-committees including the Judicature, Fiscal Powers, and Structure of Government sub-committees (the local government report) made their reports available to seek public comment and encourage discussion.

The Standing Committee met in October 1984 in Perth to consider the reports and recommendations of all sub-committees. In addition, the Standing Committee will commence preparation of the agenda for the next Convention and seek approval to begin organisational arrangements for the Plenary Session scheduled for Brisbane in the week commencing 29 July 1985.

Further references: *Victorian Year Book* 1981, pp. 75-6; 1984, pp. 70-2

Constitutional developments in Victoria since 1982

Operation of Imperial law

The Premiers' Conference of June 1982 agreed in principle on the removal of all remaining categories of appeal from Australian courts to the Privy Council, the removal of any remaining capacity in the British Parliament to make laws binding in Australia, and the removal of certain remaining colonial fetters on the powers of State Parliaments. Negotiations on the manner of implementation of this agreement proceeded during 1983 and 1984 between Australian governments and with the Government of the United Kingdom. Final agreement on the details of the scheme was reached at the Premiers' Conference in June 1984. None of the necessary State, Commonwealth, and United Kingdom legislation has yet been introduced.

Victorian Constitution

An important amendment to the Victorian Constitution was made by the *Constitution (Duration of Parliament) Act* 1984. The Act extends the term of the Legislative Assembly to four years, limits the circumstances in which the Legislative Assembly can be dissolved before three years of its term have expired, introduces a new procedure for the resolution of deadlocks between the two Houses of the Victorian Parliament, and changes the terms of Members of the Legislative Council from fixed, six-year terms to two terms of the Legislative Assembly.

The new deadlock procedure applies to a Bill which is resolved by the Legislative Assembly to be a Bill of special importance and which is passed twice by the Legislative Assembly and rejected twice by the Legislative Council in accordance with a prescribed time sequence. If the procedure has been satisfied the Governor may dissolve the Legislative Assembly, notwithstanding that three years of its term have not yet run. Dissolution of the Legislative Assembly in turn will cause an election for half the members of the Legislative Council. The other circumstances in which the Legislative Assembly may be dissolved during the first three years of its term are when a bill dealing only with the appropriation of money for the ordinary annual services of the Victorian Government is rejected or deemed to be rejected by the Legislative Council, and when the Legislative Assembly has passed a resolution expressing a lack of confidence in the Premier and the other Ministers of State.

Commonwealth Constitution

Although a considerable number of recent cases have raised constitutional issues, the following are the most significant.

Hematite Petroleum Pty. Ltd. v. Victoria (1983) 57 ALJR 591 involved a challenge to the validity of the *Pipeline (Fees) Act* 1981 on the grounds that it was a duty of excise under section 90 of the Constitution and therefore within the exclusive power of the Commonwealth Parliament. The Act imposed a licence fee of \$10m per year for the operation of a trunk pipeline. The High Court held, by a majority of four to two, that the licence fee in substance was a tax on production and therefore invalid as an excise duty.

The broad definition of duties of excise in the majority judgments in *Hematite* had potential implications for a range of other State taxes and charges. The Victorian business franchise tobacco licensing scheme was the subject of a further challenge as an excise duty in *Evda Nominees v. Victoria* (1984) 58 ALJR 307. On this occasion the challenge was dismissed. The High Court refused to hear argument on the validity of the licences on the ground that the issues had been decided by the Court in earlier cases.

The scope of the Commonwealth's power in section 51(xx) to legislate for trading and financial corporations was further widened by three decisions of the High Court. In *State Superannuation Board v. Trade Practices Commission* (1983) 57 ALJR 89 a majority of the Court held that a corporation which engages in financial activities was a financial corporation for the purposes of the Constitution and that the State Superannuation Board of Victoria consequently fell within the ambit of Commonwealth power. In *Fencott v. Muller* (1983) 57 ALJR 317 it was held that a shelf company which carried on no activities could be identified as a trading or financial corporation for constitutional purposes if its constituent documents authorised it to engage in trading or financial activities. Finally, the decision of the Court in *Commonwealth v. Tasmania (Franklin Dam case)* (1983) 57 ALJR 450 that the *World Heritage Properties Conservation Act 1983* (Commonwealth) was a valid enactment based partly on the scope of the corporation's power. The Court held that the Hydro Electric Commission of Tasmania was a trading corporation and that Commonwealth power extended to the prohibition of acts done by trading corporations for the purposes of their trading activities, in this case the building of the dam.

The *Franklin Dam* case was important also for the scope of the external affairs power (section 51 xxxix). The Commonwealth Act purported to implement the Convention for the Protection of the World Cultural and Natural Heritage. The Court upheld its validity on the ground that it was an Act which implemented obligations assumed by Australia under an international treaty and therefore fell within the external affairs power.

EXECUTIVE

Governor

Under the Victorian Constitution, the ultimate executive power is vested in the Crown and is exercised by the Governor as the Queen's representative.

The Governor's authority is derived from Letters Patent (issued in 1900 and amended in 1913) under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom, from the Commissions of Appointment, and from the Governor's Instructions issued under the Royal Sign Manual and Signet.

As the Queen's representative, the Governor summons and prorogues Parliament and at the beginning of each session outlines the Government's legislative programme in his opening speech. In the name of the Queen he gives assent to Bills which have passed all stages in Parliament, with the exception of those especially reserved for the Royal Assent. These include Bills dealing with special subjects such as the granting of land and money to himself. His functions in relation to the Legislature are contained in the Constitution Act.

As head of the Executive, his functions are based on Letters Patent, his Commission, and the Royal Instructions. These empower him to make all appointments to important State offices other than those for which specific provision is made under a Statute, to make official proclamations, and to exercise the prerogative of mercy by reprieving or pardoning criminal offenders within his jurisdiction. These functions are carried out on the advice of his Ministers.

There are some matters, however, which require the special exercise of the Governor's discretion. Thus he alone must finally decide after taking the advice of his Premier, whether to grant a dissolution of Parliament, and whether to call upon a member of Parliament to form a new Ministry. The Governor's powers in respect of the commissioning of a member of Parliament as Premier to form a new Ministry are set out more fully on page 81 in the section describing the Ministry.

The Governor also has power to appoint a Deputy to exercise his functions as the Queen's representative during his temporary absence from the seat of government whether within or without Victoria.

In the execution of the powers and authorities vested in him, the Governor is guided by the advice of the Executive Council, which is a body created under the Letters Patent and which in practice gives effect to Cabinet and ministerial decisions. If in any case he sees sufficient cause to dissent from the opinion of the Council, he may act in the exercise of his powers and authorities in opposition to the opinion of the Council, reporting the matter to the Queen without delay, with the reasons for his so acting.

This exercise of discretionary power emphasises the Governor's position as one above and beyond party politics and in extreme cases provides a safeguard of the Constitution. The general nature of his position is such that he is the guardian of the Constitution and bound to see that the great powers with which he is entrusted are not used otherwise than in the public interest.

On all official State occasions he performs the ceremonial functions as the representative of the Crown, and so becomes the focal point and the unifying symbol of the community.

The present Governor is His Excellency Rear Admiral Sir Brian Stewart Murray, K.C.M.G., A.O., K.St.J., who assumed office on 1 March 1982.

A complete list of representatives of the Sovereign since the establishment of the Port Phillip District in 1839 can be found on pages 740-1 of the *Victorian Year Book* 1984.

Further references: *The Office of Governor, Victorian Year Book* 1984, pp.72-4; *Governors of Victoria since 1934, 1984*, pp. 74-9

Lieutenant-Governor

The Lieutenant-Governor is appointed by a Commission from the Sovereign under the Sign Manual and Signet. In the Commission, reference is made to the Letters Patent constituting the office of Governor, and the Lieutenant-Governor is expressly authorised and required by his Commission to administer the Government of the State of Victoria in the events dealt with in such Letters Patent, namely, the death, incapacity, or removal of the Governor, or his departure from the State, or his assuming the administration of the Government of Australia.

The Lieutenant-Governor assumes control in any of these events by issuing a proclamation. He then becomes His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

However, should the Governor be only temporarily absent for a short period from the seat of government or from the State (except when he administers the Government of Australia) he may, by an Instrument under the Public Seal of the State, appoint the Lieutenant-Governor as his Deputy.

The present Lieutenant-Governor is the Hon. Sir John Young, K.C.M.G., who assumed office on 31 July 1974.

Executive Council

Section 50 of the *Constitution Act* 1975 provides that officers appointed as responsible Ministers of the Crown shall also be members of the Executive Council, and provision for their appointment appears in the Letters Patent constituting the office of Governor.

The Executive Council, consisting of Executive Councillors under summons, namely, members of the current Ministry, usually meets weekly or as required. The quorum of three comprises the Governor and at least two Ministers. These meetings are of a formal nature and are presided over by the Governor or in his absence by his Deputy.

Where it is provided in the statutes that the Governor in Council may make proclamations, orders, regulations, appointments to public offices, etc., the Governor acts formally with the advice of the Executive Council, but actually in accordance with Cabinet or ministerial decisions.

Ministry

Formation and composition

Victoria has followed the system of government evolved in Britain. The Queen's representative in Victoria, the Governor, acts by convention upon the advice of a Cabinet of Ministers, the leader of whom is called the Premier, although there is no mention of Cabinet as such in the Victorian Constitution.

The authority under which Victorian Ministers are appointed is contained in section 50 of the *Constitution Act* 1975, which provides that the Governor may, from time to time, appoint up to eighteen officers who are either members or capable of being elected members of either House of Parliament. No Minister shall hold office for a period longer than three months unless he is, or becomes, a member of the Legislative Council or the Legislative Assembly. This section further provides that not more than six of such officers shall at any one time be members of the Legislative Council and not more than thirteen members of the Legislative Assembly.

In practice, a Ministry remains in office only while it has the support of a majority in the Legislative Assembly, and when a change of Government occurs and a new Ministry is to be appointed, the Governor 'sends for' that member of the Legislative Assembly whom he thinks would be supported by a majority in that House and asks him whether he is able and willing to form a new Government with himself as leader. If that member can assure the Governor accordingly, he may then be commissioned by the Governor to form a Ministry.

The names of those persons who are chosen to serve in his Ministry are then submitted by the Premier-elect to the Governor for appointment by him as responsible Ministers of the Crown.

Powers

The Cabinet is responsible politically for the administrative acts of the Government, but the constitutional powers as set out in the Constitution Act and other Acts are vested in the individual Ministers and the Governor in Council, namely, the Governor with the advice of the Executive Council. Cabinet as such has no legal powers.

Government administration includes departments under direct ministerial control as well as certain public statutory corporations which are subject to varying degrees of ministerial direction. Ministers are sworn in with appropriate portfolios which indicate their particular responsibilities.

Functions and procedures

Cabinet normally meets weekly or as occasion requires, in closed session, to consider an agenda made up of matters submitted by the Premier and other Ministers. The Cabinet Office prepares a draft agenda for each meeting, but the Premier himself is responsible for the final agenda and the order of items on the agenda.

The Parliamentary Secretary of the Cabinet is appointed under a provision in the *Parliamentary Salaries and Superannuation Act* 1968. He may be a member of the Assembly or the Council. The Cabinet Office was established in 1982 to assist him in supporting the Cabinet.

The Parliamentary Secretary of the Cabinet and the Cabinet Office provide secretariat support and research for Cabinet and Cabinet Committees, including the receipt, processing, and dissemination of submissions. The recording of decisions is primarily the responsibility of the Parliamentary Secretary of the Cabinet. Cabinet minutes are circulated weekly by the Cabinet Office to Ministers, and the relevant Minister is normally responsible for the execution of Cabinet decisions.

Ministries, 1943 to 1982

MINISTRIES, VICTORIA, 1943 to 1982 (a)

Ministry and name of Premier	Date of assumption of office	Date of retirement from office	Duration of office (days)
Albert Arthur Dunstan	18 September 1943	2 October 1945	746
Ian Macfarlan	2 October 1945	21 November 1945	51
John Cain	21 November 1945	20 November 1947	730
Thomas Tuke Hollway	20 November 1947	3 December 1948	380
Thomas Tuke Hollway	3 December 1948	27 June 1950	572
John Gladstone Black McDonald	27 June 1950	28 October 1952	855
Thomas Tuke Hollway	28 October 1952	31 October 1952	855
John Gladstone Black McDonald	31 October 1952	17 December 1952	48
John Cain	17 December 1952	31 March 1955	835
John Cain	31 March 1955	7 June 1955	69
Henry Edward Bolte	7 June 1955	23 August 1972	6,288
Rupert James Hamer	23 August 1972	5 June 1981	3,209
Lindsay Hamilton			
Simpson Thompson	5 June 1981	8 April 1982	299
John Cain (b)	8 April 1982	Still in office	

(a) A complete list since responsible government in 1855 can be found on pages 740-1 of the *Victorian Year Book* 1984.

(b) The Hon. John Cain is the son of the Hon. John Cain who held the office of Premier on three occasions between 1945 and 1955.

New Ministry

A triennial election for the Legislative Council and a general election for the Legislative Assembly of the Victorian Parliament were held conjointly on 3 April 1982. The 64th Ministry, led by the Hon. John Cain, was subsequently formed and consisted of the following members:

64TH MINISTRY, VICTORIA, AT 31 JULY 1984

From the Legislative Assembly

The Hon. J. Cain
The Hon. R.C. Fordham
The Hon. I.R. Cathie

The Hon. S.M. Crabb

The Hon. R.A. Jolly

Premier
Minister of Education
Minister of Housing and Minister for
Industry, Commerce and Technology
Minister of Transport and Minister
for Industrial Affairs
Treasurer

64TH MINISTRY, VICTORIA, AT 31 JULY 1984 — *continued*

<i>From the Legislative Assembly — continued</i>	
The Hon. C.R.T. Mathews	Minister for the Arts and Minister for Police and Emergency Services
The Hon. T.W. Roper	Minister of Health
The Hon. J.L. Simmonds	Minister for Employment and Training
The Hon. J.H. Simpson	Minister of Labour and Industry, Minister for Property and Services, and Assistant Minister of Transport
The Hon. P.C. Spyker	Minister of Consumer Affairs and Minister for Ethnic Affairs
The Hon. P.T. Toner	Minister for Community Welfare Services
The Hon. N.B. Trezise	Minister for Youth, Sport and Recreation
The Hon. F.N. Wilkes	Minister for Local Government

<i>From the Legislative Council</i>	
The Hon. E. Walker	Minister for Planning and Environment and Minister of Public Works
The Hon. D.R. White	Minister for Minerals and Energy and Minister for Water Supply
The Hon. J.H. Kennan	Attorney-General
The Hon. D.E. Kent	Minister of Agriculture
The Hon. R.A. Mackenzie	Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands

Intergovernmental organisations

Introduction

A large number of intergovernmental organisations exist to co-ordinate the activities of the Commonwealth, State, and Territory Governments in Australia. Many of the organisations are ministerial councils or committees. A greater number consist of public service officers from various levels. Most intergovernmental ministerial bodies meet at least once a year; many of them meet more often.

It is not practicable to list all intergovernmental organisations. The following, therefore, is confined to the major intergovernmental ministerial bodies, or bodies with ministerial representation, functioning in 1983-84. Further information about many of these bodies can be obtained from the relevant sections of this *Year Book*.

The two best known intergovernmental ministerial bodies are the Premiers' Conference, in which heads of government discuss a range of important matters, and the Loan Council, in which the Prime Minister and the Premiers, or their nominees, formally make the decisions required to be made pursuant to the Financial Agreement 1927 and the Gentlemen's Agreement. Both meet at least once a year, on successive days towards the end of June.

Other major intergovernmental ministerial bodies include the Australian Aboriginal Affairs Council, Australian Agricultural Council, Australian Education Council, Australian Environment Council, Australian Fisheries Council, Australian Forestry Council, Australian Health Ministers Conference, Australian Housing Research Council, Australian Police Ministers Council, Australian Minerals and Energy Council, Australian Transport Advisory Council, Australian Water Resources Council, Conference of Commonwealth and State Ministers for Immigration and Ethnic Affairs, Industry Ministers Conference, Conference of the Ministers for the Arts, Council of Ministers in Charge of Prisons, Probation and Parole, Council of Nature Conservation Ministers, Council of Social Welfare Ministers, Joint Commonwealth/State Ministerial Council on Housing Costs, Local Government Ministers Conference, Marine and Ports Council of Australia, Ministerial Committee on Drug Strategy, Ministerial Council for Companies and Securities, Ministerial Council on the Development of Albury-Wodonga, Meeting of Ministers on Human Rights, Recreation Ministers Council, Meeting of Ministers on the River Murray, Standing Committee of Attorneys-General, Standing Committee of Ministers for Consumer Affairs, and the Tourist Ministers Council.

An intergovernmental body distinguishable from those listed above, although it has some ministerial representation, is the Advisory Council for Intergovernmental Relations. The Council was established in 1976 pursuant to the Commonwealth *Advisory Council for Intergovernmental Relations Act 1976*. It comprises representatives from the Commonwealth Parliament, all State Parliaments, local government, and the community. Its object is to improve intergovernmental co-operation. It acts pursuant to direction from the Premiers' Conference. Its conclusions take the form of

recommendations to participating governments and to the Australian Council of Local Government Associations. The Council is presently engaged in a study of the relationships which should exist between the levels of government in Australia.

Premiers' Conference

The Premiers' Conference is the principal intergovernmental ministerial council. It comprises the Prime Minister, the Premier of each State, and the Chief Minister of the Northern Territory. It meets at least once each year, in June, in conjunction with a meeting of the Loan Council. Additional meetings of the Premiers' Conference sometimes are called at other times of the year.

The tradition of a Premiers' Conference predates Federation. The Premiers of each of the colonies met during the latter part of the nineteenth century to discuss matters of mutual interest: the later Federation movement itself originated from such meetings. After Federation, the Prime Minister of the Commonwealth attended meetings of the Conference, initially by invitation, although in due course a practice developed whereby the Prime Minister always took the chair. The Premiers' Conference now invariably meets in Canberra. The functions of a secretariat are performed by the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet.

In theory the Premiers' Conference provides the facility for consultation at the highest level about any matter of mutual interest and concern to Australian governments. In practice, its attention is devoted almost exclusively to intergovernmental fiscal arrangements. Decisions about the level and inter-State distribution of general revenue funds are made, or at least ratified, in the Premiers' Conference. Agreement on major specific purpose grant schemes may also be concluded there. Matters that are not financial in nature which have been dealt with by the Premiers' Conference in recent years include the proposal to sever residual links with the United Kingdom and the co-ordination of industrial relations systems in Australia.

Further reference: Australian Agricultural Council, *Victorian Year Book 1983*, pp.76-7

Intergovernmental arrangements

Introduction

Intergovernmental arrangements affect many areas of Victorian government. They range from formal agreements, such as the Financial Agreement of 1927 as amended, which is ratified by and scheduled to State legislation, to informal arrangements sometimes based solely on an exchange of letters between heads of government. An example of the latter is the basis on which the funding of natural disaster relief is apportioned between the Commonwealth and State.

Intergovernmental arrangements are entered into for a variety of purposes. One common purpose is the inter-State regulation of areas or matters of common concern. Examples include the River Murray Agreement, the Snowy Mountains Agreement, and the Albury-Wodonga Agreement, to all of which Victoria is a party. Many other intergovernmental arrangements seek to avoid constitutional constraints of one kind or another. Intergovernmental marketing schemes fall into this category. The best known of these is the Wheat Stabilisation Scheme, but comparable schemes exist to regulate the marketing of products as diverse as tobacco, eggs, barley, canned fruit, and milk.

The majority of intergovernmental arrangements are connected with the transfer of funds from the Commonwealth to the State. Large sums are transferred for general revenue purposes, pursuant to the tax sharing arrangements. Further amounts are transferred for recurrent or capital expenditure on specific purposes subject to conditions. In 1984-85, sixty-four heads of specific purpose grants by the Commonwealth to Victoria appeared in the State and Commonwealth Budget Papers compared with fifty-five grants for 1983-84. In some cases the expenditure of the grant is regulated by conditions in the legislation. In other cases it is subject to Commonwealth Ministerial approval. In yet a third class of cases the expenditure is subject to a formal intergovernmental agreement between the Commonwealth and Victoria. Grants for housing and Medicare are regulated by agreements of this kind.

Intergovernmental schemes

Further developments have taken place in relation to two important intergovernmental schemes since 1981. Other schemes have been entered into, including the establishment of the intergovernmental National Crime Authority.

Commonwealth-State Scheme for Co-operative Companies and Securities Regulation

In December 1978, the Commonwealth Government and all six States signed a Formal Agreement for an intergovernmental scheme for co-operative companies and securities regulation. The purpose of this scheme was to create a means whereby total legislative and administrative uniformity could be

achieved in the area of company law while at the same time enabling some decentralisation of administration. The details of the scheme and the manner of its development are described in the *Victorian Year Book* 1982, pp. 78-9, and 1983, pp. 77-8.

Some major amendments to the scheme legislation were made by the *Companies and Securities Legislation (Miscellaneous Amendment) Act* 1983 (Commonwealth). They were automatically adopted by the State Application Acts and came into force as part of the Companies (Victoria) Code on 1 January 1984. A second amending agreement was executed by all governments on 30 December 1983, modifying some of the decision-making procedures of the Ministerial Council under the principal agreement. The Companies and Securities Law Review Committee was established in 1983 as contemplated by clause 21(2) of the principal agreement.

Offshore jurisdiction

The scheme to invest the States with plenary jurisdiction and property rights in the three mile territorial sea and to establish co-operative regimes between the Commonwealth and the States off-shore has been described in earlier volumes of the *Victorian Year Book* (1982, p. 79; 1983, p. 78). Further developments have since taken place. The *Coastal Waters (State Title) Act* 1980 (Commonwealth), the *Petroleum (Submerged Lands) Amendment Act* 1980 (Commonwealth) and related Acts, and the *Fisheries Amendment Act* 1980 (Commonwealth) all were proclaimed to commence on 14 February 1983. Complementary State legislation for the off-shore petroleum and fisheries regimes also was enacted. Legislation in relation to the minerals regime and some aspects of fisheries administration is not yet in force.

National Crime Authority

The National Crime Authority was established by Commonwealth legislation in 1984 to investigate certain types of criminal activity involving possible offences against laws of the Commonwealth or a State. The activities of the Authority are monitored by an Intergovernmental Committee comprising one Minister from each participating jurisdiction. The Act authorises the members of the authority to investigate matters referred by a State with the consent of the Intergovernmental Committee and to exercise power conferred on it by a State. Victoria has enacted complementary legislation in the *National Crime Authority (State Provisions) Act* 1984.

Further references: Executive government, *Victorian Year Book* 1984, pp. 93-8; Commonwealth-State relationships, 1984, pp. 98-101.

LEGISLATURE

Victorian Parliament

General

The Constitution Act, creating a Legislative Council and a Legislative Assembly, was assented to by Her Majesty in Council on 21 July 1855, and came into operation in Victoria on 23 November 1855. Under this Act, Her Majesty was given power 'by and with the advice and consent of the said Council and Assembly to make laws in and for Victoria in all cases whatsoever'. Certain of these unlimited powers, however, are now exercised by the Commonwealth Parliament. The provisions governing the Constitution of the Victorian Parliament are now to be found in the *Constitution Act* 1975.

By virtue of the provisions of Act No. 7270 of 1965, membership of the Assembly was increased from sixty-six to seventy-three after the election of April 1967, while membership of the Council was increased from thirty-four to thirty-six by the addition of one member in July 1967, and one in June 1970. By virtue of the *Electoral Provinces and Districts Act* 1974 (No. 8628) the membership of the Assembly was increased to eighty-one members following the 1976 State election, and the membership of the Council to forty members following the same election, and to forty-four members following the 1979 election. Further, by the *Constitution (Electoral Provinces and Districts) Act* 1983 (No. 9892) and the *Electoral Commission (Amendment) Act* 1983 (No. 9894), membership of the Legislative Assembly was increased to 88 by the addition of seven electoral districts, and also provided that each Legislative Council province shall contain four complete and contiguous Legislative Assembly electoral districts. From January 1985, Legislative Assembly members were elected from single-member districts for four-year terms and Legislative Council members from two-member provinces for two terms of the Legislative Assembly. Both houses are elected on adult suffrage, and their powers are normally co-ordinated, although Money Bills must originate in the Legislative Assembly.

The provisions of the Constitution dealing with the Parliament have been frequently amended, as the *Constitution Act* 1975 gives the Victorian Parliament power to 'repeal, alter, or vary' the Act itself, provided that the second and third readings of certain amending Bills are passed by an absolute

majority of the members of each House. The most frequently amended sections of the Constitution dealing with the Parliament have been those setting out the relations between the Council and the Assembly, and the qualifications of candidates and voters. The right, extended in the original Constitution Act, to assume the privileges, immunities, and powers of the House of Commons (as they stood at that time) was taken up in 1857 by the first Act passed by the Victorian Parliament. These include very wide powers to punish contempt. The publication of parliamentary reports and proceedings was made absolutely privileged in 1890.

The landmarks of Assembly suffrage were: 1857, manhood suffrage; 1899, plural voting abolished; and 1908, women's franchise. Adult suffrage for the Council was introduced in 1950. In 1973, the qualifying age for membership was reduced to eighteen years and the voting age to eighteen years. Payment of members has also been frequently adjusted. The present complex scale makes extra payments to Ministers, Presiding Officers and Chairmen of Committees, Leaders and Deputy Leaders of the Opposition and Third Party, the Parliamentary Secretary of the Cabinet, Whips, Party Secretaries, and Chairmen of Parliamentary Committees. Electorates carry different allowances relative to the size of the electorate.

Parliament is summoned, prorogued, or dissolved by proclamation issued by the Governor. The duration of a Parliament depends upon the life of the Assembly (limited to four years) but may be ended by the Governor after a period of three years has elapsed since the last general election or at any time when a vote of no confidence in the Government is carried in the Assembly or where there is disagreement between the two Houses over the passage of Supply or a Bill of special importance. The Legislative Council cannot be dissolved except in special circumstances arising from disagreement between the two Houses. Its members are elected for two terms of the Assembly, half of them retiring at the end of each term of the Legislative Assembly. Members are eligible for re-election. A session is that period between the summoning of Parliament and prorogation. When Parliament is prorogued all business in hand lapses and, if it is to be continued in the next session, it must be reintroduced.

There are three political parties represented in the Victorian Parliament: the Australian Labor Party, the Liberal Party, and the National Party of Australia (Victoria). (See pages 87-9 for lists of members.) Of the 44 members constituting the Legislative Council elected in 1982 and 1985, 22 belonged to the Australian Labor Party, 17 to the Liberal Party, and 5 to the National Party. Of the 88 members of the Legislative Assembly elected in 1985, 47 belong to the Australian Labor Party who formed the Government, 31 to the Liberal Party, and 10 to the National Party. The Leader of the Australian Labor Party holds the office of Premier. The Liberal Party forms the official Opposition Party. The National Party sits on the corner benches on the Opposition side of the Assembly Chamber.

Functions

The functions of Parliament consist of passing legislation and taking action to make available finances or funds as required for State expenditure. Legislation can be initiated by any member of Parliament in either House with the exception that all Money Bills, such as Bills for imposing a duty, rate, tax, or impost, or Bills for appropriating any part of the revenue of the State, must originate in the Assembly on the motion of a Minister. They may be rejected, but not altered, by the Council. The Council, however, may suggest amendments to such Bills, provided those amendments will not have the effect of increasing any proposed charge or burden on the people and the Assembly may accept the suggested amendments if it so desires. In practice, almost all Bills are introduced by the Government in office as a result of policy decisions taken in Cabinet.

Procedures

Parliament controls the Government in office by the Assembly's power, in the last resort, to pass a resolution of no-confidence in the Government or to reject a proposal which the Government considers so vital that it is made a matter of confidence. This would force the Government to resign. Procedure of each House is governed by Standing Orders, Rules and practice, based mainly on the procedures of the British House of Commons, and administered by the respective presiding officers: the President of the Legislative Council, the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, and the respective Chairmen of Committees. The principal innovations in Assembly procedure are time limits on speeches and the elaborate ballot procedure at the opening of a new Parliament for the election of the Speaker.

The President of the Council holds office for the balance of the period for which he is elected as a member and may again be appointed if he retains his seat in the House. The election of a Speaker is the first business of a new Assembly after the members have taken the oath of allegiance or made an affirmation. The Chairman of Committees is then elected. The same order in debate is observed in

Committee as in the House itself, the Chairman having final authority over all points of order arising when he is in the Chair.

The sittings of each House commence with the reading of the Lord's Prayer by the presiding officer. Before the business of the day, as set down on the Notice Paper, is called on, Ministers may be questioned on matters under their administrative control; notices of motion, such as motions for the introduction of Bills, or motions of a substantive or abstract nature, are given; petitions are presented; papers are laid on the Table; and messages from the Governor and from the other House are read. At this stage, unless the House has previously agreed to Sessional Orders giving precedence to Government Business, members have the opportunity of moving a motion 'that the House do now adjourn', which under the Standing Orders enables discussion on matters of urgent public importance to take place.

Under 'Orders of the Day' which then follow, Bills are dealt with in their various stages. All Bills, with the exception of the annual Appropriation Bill, when passed by both Houses are presented by the Clerk of the Parliaments to the Governor, who gives the Royal Assent. This advice is set out at the commencement of each Bill and is as follows: 'Be it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly of Victoria . . .' The Appropriation Bill is presented by the Speaker to the Governor for assent. An Act usually contains commencement provisions which govern its operative date. Most provide for operation on the day of assent; some may specify other days; others may delegate the operation to be fixed by Proclamation of the Governor in Council. If no reference is made to commencement in an Act, it comes into force 28 days after assent.

Further references: Private legislation, *Victorian Year Book* 1962, pp. 86-7; Money Bills, 1963, pp. 73-4; Parliamentary Committees, 1964, pp. 52-4; Resolving deadlocks between the two Houses, 1965, pp. 79-82; Parliamentary privilege, 1966, pp. 72-7; Presiding Officers of Parliament 1967, pp. 73-7; Administrative machinery of Parliament, 1968, pp. 71-7; Hansard, 1969, pp. 77-81; Houses of Parliament, 1970, pp. 77-81; Conduct of debate, 1972, pp. 77-9; Royal Commissions, 1974, pp. 73-5; Australian Labor Party in Victoria, 1975, pp. 97-103; National Party of Australia (Victoria) in Victoria, 1976, pp. 115-18; Liberal Party in Victoria, 1979, pp. 82-5; Public Accounts Committee, 1980, pp. 93-4; Statute Law Revision Committee, 1981, p. 82; Standing Committee of Attorneys-General, 1982, pp. 75-6; Public Bodies Review Committee, 1982, pp. 125-7; Parliament of Victoria, 1984, pp. 79-81; Victorian Premiers since 1934, 1984, pp. 81-8; Statutes and regulations, 1984, pp. 89-90

Number of Parliaments and their duration

Between 1856 and 1984 there have been forty-nine Parliaments. The forty-ninth Parliament was opened on 27 April 1982. A table showing the duration in days of each Parliament (1856 to 1927), the number of days in session, and the percentage of the latter to the former was published in the *Victorian Year Book* 1928-29, page 21. Similar information for the twenty-ninth to thirty-ninth Parliaments (1927-1955) was published in the *Victorian Year Book* 1952-53, 1953-54, page 31. From the commencement of the thirty-eighth Parliament (20 June 1950), information about the duration of each Parliament, the number of sittings of each House and the percentage of the latter to the former is shown in the following table:

DURATION OF PARLIAMENTS AND NUMBER OF SITTINGS OF
EACH HOUSE, VICTORIA

Number of Parliament	Period	Duration of Parliament (a)	Sittings			
			Legislative Assembly		Legislative Council	
			Number of sittings	Percentage of sittings to duration	Number of sittings	Percentage of sittings to duration
		days				
Thirty-eighth	1950-1952	865	131	15.1	81	9.4
Thirty-ninth	1952-1955	852	92	10.8	61	7.2
Fortieth	1955-1958	1,038	139	13.4	99	9.5
Forty-first	1958-1961	1,059	150	14.2	103	9.7
Forty-second	1961-1964	1,015	149	14.7	112	11.0
Forty-third	1964-1967	980	146	14.9	119	12.1
Forty-fourth	1967-1970	1,002	152	15.2	124	12.4
Forty-fifth	1970-1973	1,036	154	14.9	126	12.2
Forty-sixth	1973-1976	969	142	14.7	106	10.9
Forty-seventh	1976-1979	1,066	159	14.9	134	12.6
Forty-eighth	1979-1982	1,003	180	18.1	149	14.9
Forty-ninth	1982-1985	1,005	155	15.4	120	11.9

(a) Calculated from the date of opening to the date of dissolution of the Assembly.

Cost of parliamentary government

The following table shows the expenditure arising from the operation of parliamentary government in Victoria. It comprises the Victorian Governor, the Ministry, the Legislative Council, the Legislative Assembly, and electoral activities. It does not attempt to cover the expenditure on Victorian administration generally.

The table shows this expenditure for Victoria for the years ended 30 June 1978 to 1983. In order to avoid incorrect conclusions about the cost of the Governor's establishment, it should be noted that a large part of the expenditure (with the exception of the item 'Salary') under the general heading 'Governor' represents official services.

COST OF PARLIAMENTARY GOVERNMENT, VICTORIA (\$'000)

Period	Governor		Parliament			Electoral	Royal Commissions, Select Committees, etc.	Total
	Salary	Other Expenses (a)	Ministry	Salaries of members	Other expenses (b)			
1977-78	20	939	1,145	3,445	6,928	417	518	13,412
1978-79	20	851	1,161	3,656	8,213	2,585	26	16,512
1979-80	20	994	1,303	4,249	9,654	761	479	17,460
1980-81	20	1,102	1,480	4,851	10,714	340	783	19,290
1981-82	20	1,365	1,711	5,697	13,424	3,860	1,533	27,610
1982-83	41	1,577	1,779	5,767	16,002	1,366	2,012	28,544

(a) Includes salaries of staff and maintenance of house and gardens.

(b) Includes cost of members' railway passes, parliamentary staff, and maintenance.

Members of the Victorian Parliament

Political parties

In the following pages political party affiliations of members of the Victorian Parliament are indicated thus:

(ALP) Australian Labor Party

(LP) Liberal Party

(NP) National Party of Australia (Victoria)

Legislative Council

President: The Hon. Roderick Alexander Mackenzie.

Deputy President and Chairman of Committees: The Hon. Giovanni Antonio Sgro.

Clerk of the Legislative Council: Robert Keegan Evans, J.P.

Members of the Legislative Council who were elected at the 1985 periodical election are shown in the following list:

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, MEMBERS ELECTED 2 MARCH 1985, VICTORIA

(Term of office commenced 15 July 1985)

Member	Province	Number of electors on rolls	Number of electors who voted	Total percentage of electors who voted
Baxter, Hon. William Robert (NP)	North Eastern	120,611	112,722	93.46
Birrell, Hon. Mark Alexander (LP)	East Yarra	122,486	112,654	91.97
Coxsedge, Hon. Joan Marjorie (ALP)	Melbourne West	122,723	113,453	92.45
Crawford, Hon. George Robert (ALP)	Jika Jika	122,099	112,990	92.54
de Fegely, Hon. Richard Strachan (LP)(a)	Ballarat	122,330	116,024	94.85
Grimwade, Hon. Frederick Sheppard (LP)	Central Highlands	119,993	111,920	93.27
Hallam, Hon. Roger Murray, J.P. (NP) (a)	Western	117,153	111,687	95.33
Hunt, Hon. Alan John (LP)	South Eastern	123,537	115,734	93.68
Kennedy, Hon. Cyril James (ALP)	Waverley	120,719	113,270	93.83
Lawson, Hon. Robert (LP)	Higinbotham	122,545	113,214	92.39
Long, Hon. Richard John (LP)	Gippsland	118,598	110,824	93.45
Lyster, Hon. Maureen Anne (ALP)	Chelsea	118,418	110,358	93.19
McLean, Hon. Jean (ALP)(a)	Boronia	115,070	109,273	94.96
Macey, Hon. Reg (LP)(a)	Monash	122,416	108,982	89.03
Mackenzie, Hon. Roderick Alexander (ALP)	Geelong	118,926	112,070	94.24
Miles, Hon. John Gould (LP)	Templestowe	118,074	110,832	93.87
Sgro, Hon. Giovanni Antonio (ALP)	Melbourne North	118,377	110,860	93.65
Van Buren, Hon. Charles Fredrick (ALP)	Eumemmerring	116,896	109,240	93.45
Varty, Hon. Rosemary (LP) (b)	Nunawading	119,408	105,689	88.51
Walker, Hon. Evan Herbert (ALP)	Melbourne	122,778	108,800	88.62
White, Hon. David Ronald (ALP)	Doutta Galla	120,122	113,180	94.22
Wright, Hon. Kenneth Irving Mackenzie (NP)	North Western	118,198	111,401	94.25

(a) Under the provisions of the *Constitution (Council Vacancies) Act* 1984 (No. 10125), the Members elected for the 'new' Ballarat, Boronia, Monash, and Western Provinces were deemed to have been elected to fill the places of the Members for the 'old' provinces bearing the same names as the four 'new' provinces stated previously who had resigned as Members of the Legislative Council in order to stand as candidates for election at the Legislative Assembly general election held on 2 March 1985. These four Members were entitled to hold the seat for the 'old' province during the unexpired portion of the previous Member's term ending on 14 July 1985.

(b) Mr Robert Ives (ALP) was deemed elected after the poll on 2 March. The Court of Disputed Returns later declared the election of Mr Ives to be absolutely void and a new poll was ordered for 17 August 1985. Mrs Varty (LP) subsequently won the seat.

Members of the Legislative Council who did not come up for election at the 1985 periodical election are shown in the following list:

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, MEMBERS ELECTED 3 APRIL 1982, VICTORIA

(Term of office commenced 27 June 1982)

Member	Province	Number of electors on rolls	Number of electors who voted	Total percentage of electors who voted
Arnold, Hon. Michael John (ALP)	Templestowe	129,930	119,101	93.83
Chamberlain, Hon. Bruce Anthony (LP)	Western	84,930	80,824	95.17
Connard, Hon. Geoffrey Phillip (LP)	Higinbotham	110,024	101,462	94.45
Dixon, Hon. Judith Lorraine (ALP)	Boronia	138,347	127,979	94.58
Dunn, Hon. Bernard Phillip (NP)	North Western	83,355	76,842	94.60
Evans, Hon. David Mylor (NP)	North Eastern	96,240	88,278	94.11
Granter, Hon. Frederick James (LP)	Central Highlands	107,313	97,573	93.19
Guest, Hon. James Vincent Chester (LP)	Monash	106,024	97,683	92.13
Henshaw, Hon. David Ernest, M.B.E. (ALP)	Geelong	94,727	89,498	94.48
Hogg, Hon. Caroline Jennifer (ALP)	Melbourne North	114,771	105,907	92.28
Kennan, Hon. James Harley (ALP)	Thomastown	133,053	125,951	94.66
Kirner, Hon. Joan Elizabeth, A.M. (ALP)	Melbourne West	121,381	113,938	93.87
Knowles, Hon. Robert Ian (LP)	Ballarat	94,948	88,324	94.96
Landeryou, Hon. William Albert (ALP)	Doutta Galla	145,030	137,584	94.87
McArthur, Hon. Lawrence Alexander (ALP)	Nunawading	125,028	116,170	94.92
Mier, Hon. Brian William (ALP)	Waverley	130,615	114,777	87.87
Murphy, Hon. Barry Alan (ALP)	Gippsland	90,260	82,089	93.82
Pullen, Hon. Barry Thomas (ALP)	Melbourne	106,459	94,703	88.96
Reid, Hon. Nicholas Bruce (LP)	Bendigo	92,109	85,893	95.22
Sandon, Hon. Malcolm John (ALP)	Chelsea	137,494	128,926	93.77
Storey, Hon. Haddon, Q.C. (LP)	East Yarra	108,131	100,263	92.72
Ward, Hon. Hector Roy, J.P. (LP)	South Eastern	106,741	97,507	93.49

Legislative Assembly

Speaker: The Hon. Cyril Thomas Edmunds.

Chairman of Committees: William Francis Fogarty.

Clerk of the Parliaments and Clerk of the Legislative Assembly: John Harold Campbell, J.P.

The following list shows members of the Legislative Assembly elected at the general election held on 2 March 1985. It also includes details of electoral districts and voting at the last general election.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, MEMBERS ELECTED 2 MARCH 1985, VICTORIA

Member	District	Number of electors on rolls	Number of electors who voted	Total percentage of electors who voted
Andrianopoulos, Alex (ALP)	St Albans	31,574	29,498	93.42
Austin, Hon. Thomas Leslie (LP)	Ripon	29,911	28,566	95.50
Brown, Alan John (LP)	Gippsland West	31,729	30,069	94.77
Cain, Hon. John (ALP)	Bundoora	28,860	27,268	94.48
Callister, Valerie Joy (ALP)	Morwell	29,979	28,070	93.63
Cathie, Hon. Ian Robert (ALP)	Carrum	28,696	26,720	93.11
Coghill, Dr Kenneth Alastair (ALP)	Werribee	29,424	27,319	92.85
Coleman, Charles Geoffrey (LP)	Syndal	29,182	27,823	95.34
Cooper, Robert Fitzgerald (LP)	Mornington	30,629	28,295	92.38
Crabb, Hon. Steven Marshall (ALP)	Knox	27,865	26,242	94.18
Crozier, Hon. Digby Glen (LP)	Portland	28,857	27,370	94.85
Culpin, John Albert, (ALP)	Broadmeadows	27,859	25,974	93.23
Cunningham, David James (ALP)	Derrimut	29,159	27,393	93.94
Delzoppo, John Edward (LP)	Narracan	29,436	27,810	94.48
Dickinson, Harley Rivers (LP)	South Barwon	28,343	27,159	95.82
Edmunds, Hon. Cyril Thomas (ALP)	Pascoe Vale	30,091	28,365	94.26
Ernst, Graham Keith (ALP)	Bellarine	29,959	28,362	94.67
Evans, Alexander Thomas (LP)	Ballarat North	31,119	29,392	94.45
Evans, Bruce James (NP)	Gippsland East	28,866	26,761	92.71
Fogarty, William Francis (ALP)	Sunshine	30,351	28,031	92.36
Fordham, Hon. Robert Clive (ALP)	Footscray	32,137	29,372	91.40
Gavin, Peter Murray (ALP)	Coburg	30,688	28,429	92.64
Gleeson, Elizabeth Susan (ALP)	Thomastown	29,739	28,099	94.49
Gude, Phillip Archibald (LP)	Hawthorn	31,754	28,730	90.48
Hann, Edward James (NP)	Rodney	30,261	28,633	94.62
Harrowfield, John Dyson (ALP)	Mitcham	30,186	28,504	94.43
Hayward, Donald Keith (LP)	Prahran	31,815	28,080	88.26
Heffernan, Vincent Patrick, O.A.M. (LP)	Ivanhoe	31,067	29,062	93.55
Hill, Jane Margaret (ALP)	Frankston North	29,857	27,833	93.22
Hill, Louis Joseph (ALP)	Warrandyte	28,506	26,907	94.39
Hirsh, Carolyn Dorothy (ALP)	Wantirna	28,508	27,186	95.36
Hockley, Gordon Stanley, (ALP)	Bentleigh	29,880	28,167	94.27

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, MEMBERS ELECTED 2 MARCH 1985, VICTORIA — *continued*

Member	District	Number of electors on rolls	Number of electors who voted	Total percentage of electors who voted
Jasper, Kenneth Stephen (NP)	Murray Valley	30,959	29,132	94.10
John, Michael (LP)	Bendigo East	30,133	28,693	95.22
Jolly, Hon. Robert Allen (ALP)	Doveton	29,005	27,250	93.95
Kennedy, Andrew David (ALP)	Bendigo West	31,300	29,720	94.95
Kennett, Hon. Jeffrey Gibb (LP)	Burwood	29,873	27,822	93.13
Kirkwood, Carl William Dunn (ALP)	Preston	32,004	29,224	91.31
Lea, David John (LP)	Sandringham	30,800	28,573	92.77
Leigh Geoffrey Graham (LP)	Malvern	29,949	27,241	90.96
Lieberman, Hon. Louis Stuart (LP)	Bentambra	29,769	27,163	91.25
McCutcheon, Hon. Andrew (ALP)	St Kilda	30,828	27,409	88.91
McDonald, Maxwell John (ALP)	Whittlesea	30,198	28,501	94.38
McGrath, John Francis (NP)	Warrnambool	29,390	27,841	94.73
McGrath, William Desmond (NP)	Lowan	28,629	27,434	95.83
McNamara, Patrick John (NP)	Benalla	30,172	27,942	92.61
MacIellan, Hon. Robert Roy Cameron (LP)	Berwick	31,074	29,206	93.99
Mathews, Hon. Charles Race Thorson (ALP)	Oakleigh	29,952	27,496	91.80
Micallef, Edward Joseph (ALP)	Springvale	29,650	27,802	93.77
Norris, Terence Richard (ALP)	Dandenong	29,569	27,198	91.98
Perrin, David John (LP)	Bulleen	29,571	27,823	94.09
Pescott, Roger (LP)	Bennettswood	31,432	29,664	94.38
Plowman, Sidney James (LP)	Evelyn	30,350	28,454	93.75
Pope, Neil Albert (ALP)	Monbulk	29,273	27,117	92.63
Ramsay, Hon. James Halford (LP)	Balwyn	30,324	28,046	92.49
Ray, Margaret Elizabeth (ALP)	Box Hill	30,843	28,787	93.33
Remington, Keith Henry (ALP)	Melbourne	30,396	25,981	85.48
Reynolds, Thomas Carter (LP)	Gisborne	30,619	29,009	94.74
Riehardson, John Ingles (LP)	Forest Hill	29,219	27,674	94.71
Roper, Hon. Thomas William (ALP)	Brunswick	30,524	27,417	89.82
Ross-Edwards, Peter (NP)	Shepparton	29,622	27,784	93.80
Rowe, Barry John (ALP)	Essendon	30,790	28,259	91.78
Seitz, George (ALP)	Keilor	29,671	28,030	94.47
Setches, Kay Patricia (ALP)	Ringwood	29,873	28,045	93.88
Sheehan, Francis Patrick (ALP)	Ballarat South	30,681	29,062	94.72
Shell, Hayden Kevin (ALP)	Geelong	31,388	29,119	92.77
Sibree, Prudence Anne (LP)	Kew	30,535	28,064	91.91
Sidiropoulos, Theodore (ALP)	Richmond	31,068	27,052	87.07
Simmonds, Hon. James Lionel (ALP)	Reservoir	30,527	28,643	93.83
Simpson, Hon. John Hamilton (ALP)	Niddrie	29,718	28,287	95.18
Smith, Ernest Ross (LP)	Glen Waverley	29,478	28,159	95.53
Smith, Hon. Ian Winton (LP)	Polwarth	30,277	29,061	95.98
Spyker, Hon. Peter Cornelis (ALP)	Mentone	30,373	28,452	93.68
Steggall, Barry Edward Hector (NP)	Swan Hill	28,043	26,428	94.24
Stirling, Gordon Francis (ALP)	Williamstown	30,811	28,741	93.28
Stockdale, Alan Robert (LP)	Brighton	31,106	28,598	91.94
Tanner, Edgar Miles Ponsonby (LP)	Caulfield	30,759	27,864	90.59
Toner, Hon. Pauline Therese (ALP)	Greensborough	28,966	27,157	93.75
Treize, Hon. Neil Benjamin (ALP)	Geelong North	29,236	27,405	93.74
Vaughan, Dr Gerard Marshall (ALP)	Clayton	30,153	28,331	93.96
Wallace, Thomas William (NP)	Gippsland South	30,317	28,213	93.06
Walsh, Hon. Ronald William (ALP)	Albert Park	29,824	26,292	88.16
Weideman, Hon. George Graeme (LP)	Frankston South	29,492	27,460	93.11
Wells, Dr Ronald James Herbert (LP)	Dromana	30,105	28,189	93.64
Whiting, Milton Stanley (NP)	Mildura	28,722	26,598	92.60
Wilkes, Hon. Frank Noel (ALP)	Northcote	30,708	27,867	90.75
Williams, Morris Thomas (LP)	Doncaster	28,470	26,901	94.49
Wilson, Janet Tindale Calder (ALP)	Dandenong North	28,672	27,057	94.37

Parliamentary Counsel

The Parliamentary Counsel's Office is a small office attached to the Law Department. Its origin in Victoria dates back to 1879 when Edward Carlile was appointed Parliamentary Draftsman. Carlile remained as Draftsman, apart from a short period as Clerk Assistant of the Legislative Assembly, until the beginning of the twentieth century. He was knighted for his services.

The Office was established because of dissatisfaction at the cost involved in having legislation prepared by members of the Bar and the uneven and sometimes unsatisfactory nature of the work done by individual counsel. A similar Office had been established a few years previously in the United Kingdom following upon a report by a Parliamentary Committee.

The Office now consists of the Chief Parliamentary Counsel and ten Parliamentary Counsel, together with supporting clerical and stenographic assistance.

The primary work of the Office is to prepare legislation for the Government. The volume of legislation in Victoria, in common with that in other jurisdictions, has consistently increased over the last century. In its first 30 years, the Victorian Parliament passed 915 Acts; in the next 30 years, 1,423 Acts; in the next 30 years, 2,868 Acts; and in the next 30 years no less than 3,713 Acts were passed.

The range of subjects upon which legislation is sought has also consistently increased, partly because of developing technology and partly because Parliament continually aims at new and more sophisticated social objectives.

The policy of legislation is initially determined by the Cabinet acting on the advice of the responsible Minister, assisted by appropriate departmental advisers, but it is generally accepted that policy and form cannot be completely separated and Parliamentary Counsel accordingly exercise a considerable influence on the legislation that is ultimately passed by the Parliament.

Apart from work done for the Government, it is the tradition in Victoria that Parliamentary Counsel should be available to assist private members of any party who wish to promote legislation.

The Counsel are also available to advise Ministers and government instrumentalities on the validity of subordinate legislation that it is proposed to promulgate. One of the Counsel is assigned to examine and report to the Legal and Constitutional Committee of the Parliament on the validity and form of all statutory rules.

The Office is responsible for the preparation of the annual volumes of Statutes and Statutory Rules and for the preparation of the various tables and indices of the Acts and Statutory Rules that are published by the Government Printer.

Since the last consolidation of the Victorian Statutes in 1958, a system of reprinting of Principal Public Acts incorporating all amendments made up to the date of the Reprint has been instituted. This system of frequent reprints has now been adopted in most other jurisdictions in Australia.

Because of the knowledge and experience gained by Parliamentary Counsel in the course of their ordinary duties, they are often called upon to advise in relation to matters of law reform apart from being responsible for the drafting of any legislation necessary to give effect to proposed reforms. They assist, whenever requested, Parliamentary committees which are investigating matters involving constitutional or other legal questions.

It is common for a Parliamentary Counsel to be co-opted to sub-committees of the Chief Justice's Law Reform Committee when they are considering reform of the Statute Law.

One Counsel acts as secretary and drafter to the Supreme Court Judges' Rules Committee, and one other Counsel assists the County Court Judges' Rules Committee.

Counsel are commonly asked to act in an advisory capacity in relation to proposals for uniform legislation and in relation to agreements between governments and government instrumentalities in Australia. They also sometimes act as members of negotiating teams, as well as drafter, in relation to agreements which require Parliamentary approval before they become fully effective.

Victorian Acts passed during 1982, 1983, and 1984

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ACTS PASSED IN 1982			
9723	Commercial Bank of Australia Limited (Merger) Act provides for the transfer to the Bank of New South Wales the undertaking of The Commercial Bank of Australia Limited, and the transfer to the Bank of New South Wales Savings Bank Limited the undertaking of The Commercial Savings Bank of Australia Limited, and for other purposes.	9727	Metropolitan Fire Brigades (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Metropolitan Fire Brigades Act 1958</i> , increases the bank overdraft limit of the Metropolitan Fire Brigades Board, and provides for other purposes.
9724	Commercial Banking Company of Sydney Limited (Merger) Act supplements <i>The Commercial Banking Company of Sydney Limited (Merger) Act 1982</i> of New South Wales which provides for the transfer to The National Bank of Australasia Limited of the undertaking of The Commercial Banking Company of Sydney Limited, and the transfer to The National Bank Savings Bank Limited of the undertaking of the C.B.C. Savings Bank Limited, and for other purposes.	9728	Howard Florey Institute of Experimental Physiology and Medicine Act amends the <i>Howard Florey Institute of Experimental Physiology and Medicine Act 1971</i> , and for other purposes.
9725	Stamps (Matrimonial Settlements) Act provides exemptions from stamp duty in relation to certain property dealings, amends the <i>Stamps Act 1958</i> , and for other purposes.	9729	Building Societies (Control) Act makes further provision with respect to the operation of building societies, amends the <i>Building Societies Act 1976</i> , and for other purposes.
9726	Stamps (First Purchases of Land) Act provides exemptions from stamp duty in relation to certain land purchases, amends the <i>Stamps Act 1958</i> , and for other purposes.	9730	Constitution (Executive Council Expenses) Act amends the <i>Constitution Act 1975</i> to increase the amount payable for the Clerk and the expenses of the Executive Council.
		9731	Appeal Costs Fund (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Appeal Costs Fund Act 1964</i> , and for other purposes.
		9732	Supply (1982-83, No. 1) Act makes interim provision for the appropriation of money from the Consolidated Fund for the service of the financial year 1982-83.
		9733	Pay-roll Tax (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Pay-roll Tax Act 1971</i> and the <i>Land Tax Act 1958</i> , and for other purposes.

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- 9734 West Gate Bridge Authority (Transfer of Functions) Act confers certain powers on the Country Roads Board, amends the *Country Roads Act* 1958, repeals the *West Gate Bridge Authority Act* 1980, and for other purposes.
- 9735 Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works (Differential Rating) Act empowers the differential rating of land by the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works, amends the *Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Act* 1958, and for other purposes.
- 9736 Psychological Practices (Scientology) Act repeals certain provisions of the *Psychological Practices Act* 1965 relating to the practice of scientology, and for other purposes.
- 9737 Health (Private Hospitals) Act amends Part X of the *Health Act* 1958.
- 9738 Racing (Payment of Dividends) Act repeals the provisions of the *Racing Act* 1958 requiring the payment of certain dividends by the Totalizator Agency Board to be withheld until the holding of the last event at a meeting.
- 9739 Optometrists Registration (Amendment) Act amends the *Optometrists Registration Act* 1958.
- 9740 Motor Car (Breath Analysing Instruments) Act amends section 80F of schedule seven to the *Motor Car Act* 1958 with respect to breath analysing instruments, and for related purposes.
- 9741 Victorian Arts Centre (Guarantees) Act amends section 7 of the *Victorian Arts Centre Act* 1979.
- 9742 Transport Regulation (Tow Trucks) Act amends the *Transport Regulation Act* 1958 with respect to the operation of tow trucks in certain areas, and for other purposes.
- 9743 Superannuation (Amendment) Act amends the *Superannuation Act* 1958.
- 9744 Local Government (City of Richmond) Act authorises the establishment of a commission to administer the City of Richmond, dismisses that Council from office, provides for the restoration of an elected Council, and for other purposes.
- 9745 Victorian Economic Development Corporation (Amendment) Act amends the *Victorian Economic Development Corporation Act* 1981, repeals the *Victorian Economic Development Corporation (Amendment) Act* 1981, and for other purposes.
- 9746 Public Authorities (Sinking Funds) Act makes provision with respect to the sinking funds of certain public authorities, amends the *Grain Elevators Act* 1958, the *Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Act* 1958, the *Port of Geelong Authority Act* 1958, the *Port of Melbourne Authority Act* 1958, the *State Electricity Commission Act* 1958, and for other purposes.
- 9747 Workers Compensation (Benefit Rates) Act amends section 9 of the *Workers Compensation Act* 1958.
- 9748 Transport Regulation (Vehicles) Act amends the *Transport Regulation Act* 1958 with respect to the carriage of goods and passengers for certain purposes.
- 9749 Weights and Measures (Time for Verification) Act amends the *Weights and Measures Act* 1958, with respect to the time for verification of certain weights, measures, weighing instruments, and measuring instruments.
- 9750 Bourke Street Mall Act provides for the development of the Bourke Street Mall, and for other purposes.
- 9751 Local Authorities Superannuation (Amendment) Act amends the *Local Authorities Superannuation Act* 1958, and for other purposes.
- 9752 State Employees Retirement Benefits (School Council Employees) Act amends the *State Employees Retirement Benefits Act* 1979 with respect to past service of employees of School Councils, and other matters.
- 9753 Parliamentary Superannuation Act amends *The Constitution Act Amendment Act* 1958, the *Parliamentary Contributory Superannuation Act* 1962, and the *Parliamentary Salaries and Superannuation Act* 1968, makes provision with respect to superannuation entitlements of members of Parliament, former Members, their widows and dependants, and for other purposes.
- 9754 Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works (Offices) Act amends the *Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Act* 1958 with respect to offices, and for other purposes.
- 9755 Water and Sewerage Districts (Amendment) Act amends section 65C of the *Water Act* 1958, amends section 81 of the *Sewerage Districts Act* 1958, and for other purposes.
- 9756 Hospitals Superannuation (Amendment) Act transfers the *Hospitals Superannuation Act* 1965 from the administration of the Minister of Health.
- 9757 Abattoir and Meat Inspection (Amendment) Act amends the *Abattoir and Meat Inspection Act* 1973.
- 9758 Environment Protection (Penalties) Act amends the *Environment Protection Act* 1970 to increase penalties.
- 9759 Baxter Technical School Land Act authorises the Minister of Education of Victoria to enter into a lease and licence with the Commonwealth of Australia, for defence and other purposes, certain lands in the City of Frankston, expends money on the construction of buildings and provision of facilities, and for other purposes.
- 9760 Environment Protection (Lead in Petrol) Act further provides for reducing pollution of the air from motor vehicles, amends the *Environment Protection Act* 1970, and for other purposes.
- 9761 Companies (Consequential Amendment) Act amends certain Acts consequential on the enactment of the *Companies (Application of Laws) Act* 1981, and for other purposes.
- 9762 Pipelines (Amendment) Act amends the *Pipelines Act* 1967, and for other purposes.
- 9763 Melbourne Corporation (Election of Council) Act amends the law relating to the City of Melbourne, amends the *Melbourne and Geelong Corporations Act* 1938, the *Local Government Act* 1958, repeals the *Local Government (City of Melbourne) Act* 1981, and for other purposes.
- 9764 Hospital Benefits (Levy) Act imposes a levy

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	on organisations carrying on hospital benefits business in Victoria, makes provision to free contributors to hospital benefit funds in Victoria from payment of out-patient fees, and for other purposes.	9777	Industrial and Provident Societies (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Industrial and Provident Societies Act 1958</i> .
9765	Parliamentary Committees (Joint Investigatory Committees) Act makes provision with respect to the establishment, powers, and functions of certain joint investigatory committees of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly, repeals the <i>Public Works Committee Act 1958</i> , the <i>State Development Committee Act 1958</i> , the <i>Joint Select Committee (Conservation of Energy Resources) Act 1976</i> and certain other Acts, amends the <i>Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Act 1958</i> , the <i>Subordinate Legislation Act 1962</i> , the <i>Parliamentary Committees Act 1968</i> , the <i>Constitution Act 1975</i> and certain other Acts, and for other purposes.	9778	Council of Law Reporting in Victoria Act amends the <i>Council of Law Reporting in Victoria Act 1967</i> , and for other purposes.
		9779	Dentists (Fees) Act amends the <i>Dentists Act 1972</i> with respect to fees, and for other purposes.
9766	Evidence (Commissions) Act makes provision with respect to the giving of information to Commissions, amends the <i>Land Tax Act 1958</i> , the <i>Stamps Act 1958</i> , the <i>Pay-roll Tax Act 1971</i> , the <i>Business Franchise (Tobacco) Act 1974</i> , and for other purposes.	9780	Domicile (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Domicile Act 1978</i> in relation to the domicile of certain children, and for other purposes.
9767	Town and Country Planning (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Town and Country Planning Act 1961</i> , and for other purposes.	9781	Local Government Department (Director-General for Local Government) Act changes the title of the Secretary for Local Government and for that purpose amends the <i>Local Government Department Act 1958</i> , the <i>Local Government Act 1958</i> , the <i>Public Service Act 1974</i> , the <i>State Co-ordination Council Act 1975</i> , and the <i>Building Control Act 1981</i> .
9768	Lotteries Gaming and Betting (Advertisements) Act amends section 40 of the <i>Lotteries Gaming and Betting Act 1966</i> to further restrict the publication of information concerning betting odds.	9782	Health (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Health Act 1958</i> .
9769	Local Government (Board of Review) Act amends the <i>Local Government Act 1958</i> , and for other purposes.	9783	Road Traffic (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Road Traffic Act 1958</i> to increase certain penalties, and for other purposes.
9770	Public Account (Cash Management Account) Act amends the <i>Public Account Act 1958</i> , and for other purposes.	9784	Health (Privileges) Act clarifies and extends privileges and immunities in relation to proceedings before disciplinary tribunals under Acts administered by the Minister of Health, and for other purposes.
9771	Local Government (General Amendment) Act amends the <i>Local Government Act 1958</i> , the <i>Town and Country Planning Act 1961</i> , the <i>Local Government (Further Amendment) Act 1981</i> , the <i>Building Control Act 1981</i> , and for other purposes.	9785	Public Lands and Works (Public Projects) Act authorises the Minister of Public Works to assist the implementation of public projects, amends the <i>Public Lands and Works Act 1964</i> , and for other purposes.
9772	Petroleum (Submerged Lands) Act provides for the exploration and exploitation of petroleum resources, and other resources of submerged lands adjacent to the coasts of Victoria, amends the <i>Petroleum Act 1958</i> and the <i>Acts Interpretation Act 1958</i> , and for other purposes.	9786	Residential Tenancies (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Residential Tenancies Act 1980</i> , the <i>Landlord and Tenant Act 1958</i> , and for other purposes.
9773	Constitution (Governor's Salary) Act amends the <i>Constitution Act 1958</i> to increase the Governor's salary.	9787	Local Government (Pecuniary Interests of Councillors) Act amends the provisions of the <i>Local Government Act 1958</i> with respect to the pecuniary interests of Councillors, and for other purposes.
9774	Burrumbeet (Russell Reserve) Land Act authorises the granting of leases of certain Crown land in the Parish of Haddon permanently reserved as a site for public purposes, and for other purposes.	9788	Education Service (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Education Service Act 1981</i> , the <i>Constitution Act 1975</i> , the <i>Constitution Act Amendment Act 1958</i> , the <i>Teaching Service Act 1958</i> , and for other purposes.
9775	Seeds Act consolidates and amends the law relating to seeds, and for other purposes.	9789	Ethnic Affairs Commission Act establishes an Ethnic Affairs Commission, repeals the <i>Ministry of Immigration and Ethnic Affairs Act 1976</i> , and for other purposes.
9776	Co-operative Housing Societies and Co-operation (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Co-operative Housing Societies Act 1958</i> and the <i>Co-operation Act 1981</i> with respect to the execution of guarantees and the entering into of agreements by the Treasurer of Victoria, and for other purposes.	9790	Public Account (Amendment) Act amends section 16 of the <i>Public Account Act 1958</i> , and for other purposes.
		9791	Pounds (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Pounds Act 1958</i> , and for other purposes.
		9792	Victorian Tobacco Growers (Disposal of Assets) Act provides for the disposal of assets acquired by the Victorian Tobacco Growers Association, and for other purposes.
		9793	Sewerage Districts (Sewerage Schemes) Act amends the <i>Sewerage Districts Act 1958</i> with respect to schemes for the construction of sewers pursuant to section 120A of that Act, and for other purposes.
		9794	Appropriation (1982-83, No. 1) Act appropriates certain sums out of the Consolidated Fund for the service of the financial year 1982-83, appropriates the supplies granted in

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- this session of Parliament, and for other purposes.
- 9795 Geelong Performing Arts Centre Trust (Amendment) Act relates to the functions of the Geelong Performing Arts Centre Trust, amends the *Geelong Performing Arts Centre Trust Act* 1980, and for other purposes.
- 9796 Aboriginal Lands (Aborigines' Advancement League) (Watt Street, Northcote) Act provides a Crown grant of land at Watt Street, Northcote, in the parish of Jika Jika.
- 9797 Pipelines (Fees) Act amends the *Pipelines Act* 1967 with respect to pipeline operation fees, and for other purposes.
- 9798 Closer Settlement (Winding-up) Act repeals the *Closer Settlement Act* 1938, makes certain consequential repeals and amendments, and for related purposes.
- 9799 Ministry of Transport (Amendment) Act abolishes certain offices in the Ministry of Transport, creates certain other offices, amends the *Ministry of Transport Act* 1958, and for other purposes.
- 9800 Works and Services Appropriation Act provides for the appropriation of money out of the Works and Services Account for certain works and purposes.
- 9801 Electoral Commission Act establishes an Electoral Commission for dividing Victoria into Electoral Provinces for the Legislative Council and Electoral Districts for the Legislative Assembly.
- 9802 Motor Car (Penalties) Act amends the penalties fixed under the *Motor Car Act* 1958 for offences against the Act and regulations made under that Act.
- 9803 Environment Protection (Air Pollution Control) Act amends the *Environment Protection Act* 1970, and for other purposes.
- 9804 Liquor Control (Booth Licences) (Amendment) Act amends the *Liquor Control Act* 1968 with respect to booth licences, and for other purposes.
- 9805 Land (Amendment) Act amends the *Land Act* 1958.
- 9806 Werribee South Water Supply (Validation) Act relates to the Werribee South Water Supply Scheme, and for other purposes.
- 9807 Superannuation (Railway Employees) Act amends the *Superannuation Act* 1975 with respect to certain railway service employees.
- 9808 Film Victoria (Reconstitution) Act amends the *Film Victoria Act* 1981 relating to the Constitution, functions, and powers of Film Victoria, amends the *Ministry for the Arts Act* 1972 and the *Public Service Act* 1974, and for other purposes.
- 9809 State Electricity Commission (Financial Arrangements) Act amends the *State Electricity Commission Act* 1958, and for other purposes.
- 9810 Motor Car (Registration and Drivers' Licences) Act amends the *Motor Car Act* 1958 relating to registration and drivers' licences, amends the *Motor Car (Drivers' Licences) Act* 1981, and for other purposes.
- 9811 Local Government (House Builders' Liability) (Amendment) Act amends Division 1A of Part XLIX of the *Local Government Act* 1958, amends the *Building Control Act* 1981, and for other purposes.
- 9812 Victorian College of Agriculture and Horticulture Act provides for the establishment of the Victorian College of Agriculture and Horticulture, and transfers to the College the control and administration of the agricultural colleges carried on as State Agricultural Colleges to the *Agricultural Colleges Act* 1958, repeals the *Agricultural Colleges Act* 1958, amends the *Land Act* 1958, and the *Post-Secondary Education Remuneration Tribunal Act* 1980, and for other purposes.
- 9813 Judges Salaries Act amends the *Constitution Act* 1975 and the *County Court Act* 1958 with respect to the salaries of Judges of the Supreme Court and the County Court.
- 9814 Lotteries and Gaming and Betting (Amendment) Act amends the *Lotteries Gaming and Betting Act* 1966 with respect to pre-race betting on the Stawell Easter Gift, and for other purposes.
- 9815 Public Account (State Development Account) Act amends the *Public Account Act* 1958 and the *Audit Act* 1958, and for other purposes.
- 9816 Trustee (Authorized Investments) Act further provides for authorised trustee investments and housing loans by trustees and building societies, amends the *Building Societies Act* 1976, the *Public Account Act* 1958, and the *Trustee Act* 1959.
- 9817 Abattoir and Meat Inspection (Further Amendment) Act amends the *Abattoir and Meat Inspection Act* 1973, provides for an additional member to be appointed to the Victorian Abattoir and Meat Inspection Authority, makes further provision for recovery of fees for inspection services, and for other purposes.
- 9818 Labour and Industry (Shops) Act amends the *Labour and Industry Act* 1958 with respect to shops, and for other purposes.
- 9819 Wheat Marketing (Amendment) Act amends the *Wheat Marketing Act* 1979, and for other purposes.
- 9820 Water (Penalties and Borrowing Powers) Act amends the *Water Act* 1958 with respect to the borrowing powers of the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission, amends certain other enactments with respect to penalties, and for other purposes.
- 9821 Cemeteries (Amendment) (Commencement) Act amends the *Cemeteries (Amendment) Act* 1980 with respect to the commencement of that Act, and for other purposes.
- 9822 Eastern Railway Construction (Repeal) Act repeals the *Eastern Railway Construction Act* 1971, and facilitates the disposal of land acquired for the purposes thereof.
- 9823 Farm Produce Merchants and Commission Agents (Amendment) Act amends the *Farm Produce Merchants and Commission Agents Act* 1965.
- 9824 Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works (Administration) Act amends the *Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Act* 1958, the *Town and Country Planning Act* 1961, and the *Water Resources Act* 1975 with respect to

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- the administration of the Board, the penalties payable for offences against the said Act, and for other purposes.
- 9825 Construction Industry (Electrical and Metal Trades) Long Service Leave Act empowers the Building Industry Long Service Leave Board to extend the operation of the *Building Industry Long Service Leave Act 1975* in order to provide long service leave for persons employed in electrical and metal trades work in the construction industry and to empower the payment of money out of the Building Industry Long Service Leave Fund for that purpose, and for other purposes.
- 9826 Constitution (Qualification of Electors) Act amends section 48 of the *Constitution Act 1975*, section 181, 183, and 187 of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1958*, and for other purposes.
- 9827 Railways (Amendment) Act amends the *Railways Act 1958*, and for other purposes.
- 9828 Hospitals and Charities (Amendment) Act amends the *Hospitals and Charities Act 1958* with respect to the payments to be made by, or in respect of, patients in public hospitals, makes fresh provision with respect to the allocation of beds in public hospitals, amends the *Cancer Act 1958*, and for other purposes.
- 9829 Veterinary Surgeons (Amendment) Act amends the *Veterinary Surgeons Act 1958*, and for other purposes.
- 9830 Educational Grants (Continuation) Act amends the *Educational Grants Act 1973*.
- 9831 Local Government Acts (Miscellaneous Amendments) Act makes miscellaneous amendments to certain acts administered by the Minister for Local Government and for that purpose amends the *Local Government Act 1958*, the *Local Authorities Superannuation Act 1958*, the *Valuation of Land Act 1960*, the *Building Control Act 1981*, and for other purposes.
- 9832 River Entrance Docks Railway Construction (Amendment) Act amends the *River Entrance Docks Railway Construction Act 1970*, varying the route of the line of railway to be constructed connecting Melbourne with the docks at the mouth of the Yarra River, and for other purposes.
- 9833 Groundwater (Amendment) Act amends the *Groundwater Act 1969* with respect to mineral water.
- 9834 Victorian Tourism Commission Act establishes a Victorian Tourism Commission, repeals the *Victorian Government Travel Authority Act 1977*, amends the *Economic Development Act 1981*, the *Motor Boating Act 1961*, and for other purposes.
- 9835 Country Road (Lands) Act amends the *Country Roads Act 1958* with respect to lands, authorises the Country Roads Board to take and use certain lands being recreational lands under the *Cultural and Recreational Lands Act 1963*, and for other purposes.
- 9836 Queen Victoria Medical Centre (Guarantees) Act authorises the Treasurer of Victoria to give certain guarantees for, and in connection with, the construction of a medical centre at Clayton to be known as the Queen Victoria Medical Centre.
- 9837 Pay-roll Tax (Further Amendment) Act further amends the *Pay-roll Tax Act 1971*, and for other purposes.
- 9838 Mildura Irrigation and Water Trusts (Amendment) Act amends the *Mildura Irrigation and Water Trusts Act 1958*, and for other purposes.
- 9839 Metropolitan Fire Brigades Superannuation (Eligibility) Act amends the *Metropolitan Fire Brigades Superannuation Act 1976* with respect to the rights of Fire Board officers over 57 years of age to join the Metropolitan Fire Brigades Superannuation Scheme, and for other purposes.
- 9840 Workers Compensation (Amendment) Act amends the *Workers Compensation Act 1958*.
- 9841 St Nicholas Hospital (Sale of Land) Act provides for the surrender to the Crown of certain land which is no longer required for the purposes of the St Nicholas Hospital, and to enable the sale thereof.
- 9842 Land Tax (Amendment) Act amends the *Land Tax Act 1958*, and for other purposes.
- 9843 Equal Opportunity (Discrimination against Disabled Persons) Act renders unlawful certain kinds of discrimination on the ground of impairment, amends the *Equal Opportunity Act 1977*, and for other purposes.
- 9844 Flood Plain Management Act further provides for flood plain management, amends the *Local Government Act 1958*, the *Water Act 1958*, the *Dandenong Valley Authority Act 1963*, the *Drainage of Land Act 1975*, the *Building Control Act 1981*, and for other purposes.
- 9845 Fisheries (Fees) Act amends the *Fisheries Act 1968* with respect to certain fees.
- 9846 Energy Consumption Levy Act imposes a levy on the consumption of natural gas by large users, provides for the assessment and collection of the levy, amends the *Evidence (Commissions) Act 1982*, and for other purposes.
- 9847 Administration and Probate (Survival of Actions) Act amends section 29 of the *Administration and Probate Act 1958*.
- 9848 Director of Public Prosecutions Act provides for the appointment of a Director of Public Prosecutions, repeals the *Courts Administration Act 1975*, amends the *Crimes Act 1958*, and other Acts, and for other purposes.
- 9849 Melbourne College of Advanced Education Act amalgamates the State College of Victoria — Institute of Early Childhood Development and the State College of Victoria at Melbourne, establishes the Melbourne College of Advanced Education, and for other purposes.
- 9850 Financial Institutions Duty Act imposes a duty upon financial institutions and other persons in respect of certain receipts, provides for the assessment and collection of duty, amends the *Stamps Act 1958* and the *Evidence (Commissions) Act 1982*, and for other purposes.
- 9851 Wildlife (Fees) Act amends the *Wildlife Act 1975* to increase certain fees.
- 9852 Motor Car (General Amendment) Act amends generally the *Motor Car Act 1958*.
- 9853 State Electricity Commission (Amendment)

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	Act reconstitutes the State Electricity Commission, amends the <i>State Electricity Commission Act 1958</i> , the <i>Electric Light and Power Act 1958</i> , and for other purposes.		
9854	Egg Industry Stabilization (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Egg Industry Stabilization Act 1973</i> to restrict the transfer of licences to individual persons and prevent the accumulation of hen quotas in single holdings, and for other purposes.	9867	Motor Accidents (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Motor Accidents Act 1973</i> to extend the provisions of the Act to motor accidents occurring outside Victoria involving motor cars registered in Victoria, provides for the entering into of agreements between the Motor Accidents Board and other similar authorities in the Commonwealth of Australia, and for other purposes.
9855	Revocation and Excision of Crown Reservations Act revokes the permanent reservations of certain lands, and for purposes connected therewith.	9868	Motor Car (Learner Drivers) Act amends the <i>Motor Car Act 1958</i> to extend and improve training of learner drivers, makes provision for learner's endorsements, and for other purposes.
9856	Wrongs (Dependents) Act amends the <i>Wrongs Act 1958</i> , and for other purposes.	9869	The Constitution Act Amendment (Temporary Provisions) Act amends <i>The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1958</i> with respect to the conduct of the by-elections to be held for the Electoral Districts of Swan Hill and Warrnambool, and the Electoral Province of East Yarra, in 1983.
9857	State Bank (Amendment) Act amends the <i>State Bank Act 1958</i> .	9870	Constitution (Local Government) Act amends Part IIA of the <i>Constitution Act 1975</i> with respect to municipal council elections, amends the <i>Melbourne Corporation (Election of Council) Act 1982</i> , and for other purposes.
9858	Sale of Land (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Sale of Land Act 1962</i> , with respect of contracts for the sale of land, amends the <i>Legal Profession Practice Act 1958</i> , the <i>Property Law Act 1958</i> , the <i>Supreme Court Act 1958</i> , and the <i>Transfer of Land Act 1958</i> , and for other purposes.	9871	Local Government (Municipal Council Elections) Act amends the <i>Local Government Act 1958</i> with respect to municipal council elections, amends the <i>Melbourne Corporation (Election of Council) Act 1982</i> , and for other purposes.
9859	Freedom of Information Act gives members of the public rights of access to official documents of the Government of Victoria and of its agencies, and for other purposes.	9872	Chiropodists (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Chiropodists Act 1968</i> .
9860	Human Tissue Act provides for, and in relation to, the removal of human tissue for transplantation, post-mortem examinations, the definition of death, the registration of schools of anatomy, repeals certain Acts, and for other purposes.	9873	Liquor Control (Amendment) Act amends sections 5 and 25 of the <i>Liquor Control Act 1968</i> , and for other purposes.
9861	Public Account (Trust Funds) Act provides for the transfer of money in certain trust funds in the Public Account to the Consolidated Fund, repeals certain Acts, makes consequential amendments to certain other Acts, and for other purposes.	9874	Land Settlement (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Land Settlement Act 1959</i> , increases the amount which may be issued and applied for the purposes of that Act, and for other purposes.
9862	River Murray Waters Act approves and provides for carrying out an agreement entered into between the Prime Minister of Australia and the Premiers of New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia respecting the Murray River and other waters, repeals the <i>River Murray Waters Act 1915</i> , and for other purposes.	9875	Juries (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Juries Act 1967</i> , entitles the Ombudsman to be excused as of right from serving as a juror, renders officers of the Ombudsman ineligible to serve as jurors, and for other purposes.
9863	Statute Law Revision (Repeals) Act revises the Statute Law of Victoria by repealing spent Acts, and for other purposes.	9876	Health (Consultative Council) Act amends the <i>Health Act 1958</i> to reconstitute the Consultative Council on Maternal and Perinatal Mortality and Morbidity as the Consultative Council on Obstetric and Paediatric Mortality and Morbidity, and for other purposes.
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9864	Minerals and Energy Fees Act amends the <i>Mines Act 1958</i> , the <i>Petroleum Act 1958</i> , the <i>Explosives Act 1960</i> , the <i>Extractive Industries Act 1966</i> , the <i>Inflammable Liquids Act 1966</i> , and the <i>Liquefied Gases Act 1968</i> with respect to certain fees and charges, and for other purposes.	9878	Scout Association Act provides for the change of name of the Boy Scouts Association (incorporated by Royal Charter), Victorian Branch (Australia), and of the governing body of that Association, amends the <i>Boy Scouts Association Act 1932</i> , and for other purposes.
9865	Administrative Law (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Administrative Law (Amendment) Act 1983</i> .	9879	Community Welfare Services (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Community Welfare Services</i>
9866	Local Government (Investments) Act provides for the establishment of an investment service for local government, amends the		

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	Act 1970, the <i>Children's Court Act</i> 1973, the <i>Community Welfare Services Act</i> 1978, and for other purposes.		
9880	<i>Lotteries Gaming and Betting (Administration) Act</i> amends certain provisions of the <i>Lotteries Gaming and Betting Act</i> 1966 with respect to the administration of that Act.	9894	the Director-General, Department of Management and Budget, and for other purposes. Electoral Commission (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Electoral Commission Act</i> 1982.
9881	<i>Prisoners (Interstate Transfer) Act</i> relates to the transfer interstate of prisoners, and for other purposes.	9895	<i>Water and Sewerage Authorities (Restructuring) Act</i> provides for the restructuring of Victoria's urban water and sewerage authorities, empowers the creation of water boards capable of supplying both water and sewerage services, enables the transfer to municipalities of the functions of certain water and sewerage authorities, makes consequential amendments to various Acts, and for other purposes.
9882	<i>Decentralized Industry Incentive Payments (Amendment) Act</i> amends the <i>Decentralized Industry Incentive Payments Act</i> 1972.	9896	<i>Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage (Bellarine Water Supply) Act</i> provides for the transfer of the Bellarine Water Supply System to the Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage Trust, amends the <i>Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage Act</i> 1958, and for other purposes.
9883	<i>Film Victoria (Amendment) Act</i> amends the <i>Film Victoria Act</i> 1981, and for other purposes.	9897	<i>Road Traffic (Amendment) Act</i> amends the <i>Road Traffic Act</i> 1958 to provide for the incorporation of the Road Safety and Traffic Authority, authorises that Authority to borrow money, and for other purposes.
9884	<i>Limitation of Actions (Personal Injury Claims) Act</i> provides for extending the period within which actions for damages in respect of personal injuries may be brought, amends the <i>Limitation of Actions Act</i> 1958, the <i>Administration and Probate Act</i> 1958, the <i>Wrongs Act</i> 1958, and for other purposes.	9898	<i>ANZ Executors and Trustee Company Act</i> amends the <i>Trustee Companies Act</i> 1958, provides for the transfer to a wholly owned subsidiary of the Australia and New Zealand Banking Group Limited of the trust business of The Trustees Executors and Agency Company Limited, and for other purposes.
9885	<i>Business Franchise Act (Amendment) Act</i> amends the <i>Business Franchise (Tobacco) Act</i> 1974, the <i>Business Franchise (Petroleum Products) Act</i> 1979, and for other purposes.	9899	<i>Industrial Relations (Amendment) Act</i> amends the <i>Industrial Relations Act</i> 1979.
9886	<i>Motor Boating (Amendment) Act</i> amends the <i>Motor Boating Act</i> 1961 to provide for the registration of certain motorised sailing vessels and of air cushion vehicles operating over water, and for other purposes.	9900	<i>Supply (1983-84, No. 1) Act</i> makes interim provision for the appropriation of money out of the Consolidated Fund for the service of the financial year 1983-84.
9887	<i>Public Authorities (Contributions) (Amendment) Act</i> amends the <i>Public Authorities (Contributions) Act</i> 1966 with respect to the payment by public authorities of contributions in aid of the Consolidated Fund, amends the <i>Port of Melbourne Authority Act</i> 1958, and for other purposes.	9901	<i>Works and Services (Supply 1983-84) Act</i> makes interim provision for the appropriation of money out of the Works and Services Account for certain works and purposes for the financial year 1983-84 and makes provision for the appropriation of money out of that Account to enable certain expenditure made under the authority of section 16 of the <i>Public Account Act</i> 1958 to be repaid in accordance with the requirements of that section.
9888	<i>Hospital Benefits (Levy) (Amendment) Act</i> amends the <i>Hospital Benefits (Levy) Act</i> 1982.	9902	<i>Statute Law Revision Act</i> revises the Statute Law of Victoria.
9889	<i>Health (Radiation Safety) Act</i> regulates the keeping and use of radioactive substances and ionizing and non-ionizing radiation apparatus, provides for protection against the harmful effects of radiation, establishes a Radiation Advisory Committee, a Radiographers and Radiation Technologists Registration Board, amends the <i>Health Act</i> 1958, the <i>Nuclear Activities (Prohibitions) Act</i> 1983, and for other purposes.	9903	<i>Museums Act</i> constitutes the Museums Advisory Board and the Council of the Museum of Victoria, abolishes certain other bodies and for that purposes amends and repeals various Acts, and for other purposes.
9890	<i>Historic Buildings (Amendment) Act</i> amends the <i>Historic Buildings Act</i> 1981, repeals the <i>Government Buildings Advisory Council Act</i> 1972, the <i>Government Buildings Advisory Council (Amendment) Act</i> 1981, the <i>Planning Appeals Board Act</i> 1980, and for other purposes.	9904	<i>Grain Elevators (Amendment) Act</i> increases the borrowing powers of the Grain Elevators Board, and for other purposes.
9891	<i>Railways (Amendment) Act</i> amends the <i>Railways Act</i> 1958 with regard to the borrowing and leasing powers of the Victorian Railways Board, and for other purposes.	9905	<i>Motor Accidents (Applications) Act</i> alters the period within which applications may be made for compensation under the <i>Motor Accidents Act</i> 1973, and for other purposes.
9892	<i>Constitution (Electoral Provinces and Districts) Act</i> amends the <i>Constitution Act</i> 1975, provides for an increase in the number of electoral districts, and for other purposes.	9906	<i>Police Regulation (Amendment) Act</i> amends the <i>Police Regulation Act</i> 1958.
9893	<i>Management and Budget Act</i> provides for, and relates to, the appointment and powers of	9907	<i>Mental Health (Amendment) Act</i> amends the <i>Mental Health Act</i> 1959, and for other purposes.
		9908	<i>Historic Buildings (Further Amendment) Act</i>

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- amends the *Historic Buildings Act* 1981, the *Historic Buildings (Amendment) Act* 1983, and for other purposes.
- 9909 Consumer Affairs Committee Act amends the *Consumer Affairs Act* 1972 to abolish the Consumer Affairs Council and establish the Consumer Affairs Committee, and for other purposes.
- 9910 Town and Country Planning (Amendment) Act amends the *Town and Country Planning Act* 1961, amends the *State Co-ordination Council Act* 1975, the *Upper Yarra Valley and Dandenong Ranges Authority Act* 1976, the *Planning Appeals Board Act* 1980, and for other purposes.
- 9911 Stamps (Amendment) Act varies and extends the exemptions from stamp duty, removes anomalies in stamp duty and makes additional provisions with respect to certain interests in and dealings relating to marketable securities and for those purposes amends the *Stamps Act* 1958 and the *Motor Car (Mass and Dimension Limits) Act* 1981, and for other purposes.
- 9912 Legal Profession Practice (Solicitors' Guarantee Fund) Act amends section 53 of the *Legal Profession Practice Act* 1958, and for other purposes.
- 9913 Community Welfare Services (Attendance Centre Permits) Act empowers the Director-General of Community Welfare Services to permit an offender undergoing a term of imprisonment in default of payment of a fine to serve the term by way of attendance at an attendance centre, amends the *Community Welfare Services Act* 1981, and for other purposes.
- 9914 St. Andrew's Hospital (Guarantee) (Amendment) Act amends the *St. Andrew's Hospital (Guarantee) Act* 1978, makes provision with respect to an increase in the sum guaranteed, and for other purposes.
- 9915 Supporting Parents Concession Act amends the *Motor Car Act* 1958 and the *Municipalities Assistance Act* 1973 with respect to concessions to be made to supporting parents within the meaning of the *Social Security Act* 1947 of the Commonwealth.
- 9916 Administrative Arrangements Act provides for changes in administrative arrangements with respect to Ministries, Departments and officers of departments, and for other purposes.
- 9917 Public Account (Advances) Act amends section 4 of the *Public Account Act* 1958.
- 9918 Medical Practitioners (Amendment) Act amends the *Medical Practitioners Act* 1970 generally.
- 9919 Beer Prices Regulation (Temporary Provisions) Act makes temporary provision for the regulation of the prices at which beer may be sold by breweries, and for other purposes.
- 9920 Rural Finance and Settlement Commission (Penalties) Act amends the penalties fixed under the *Rural Finance and Settlement Commission Act* 1961 for offences against that Act.
- 9921 Transport Act re-enacts with amendments the law relating to transport including the law with respect to railways, roads, and tramways, and repeals the *Country Roads Act* 1958, the *Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Act* 1958, the *Ministry of Transport Act* 1958, the *Railway Lands Acquisition Act* 1958, the *Railways Act* 1958, the *Road Traffic Act* 1958, the *Transport Regulation Act* 1958, the *Melbourne Underground Rail Loop Act* 1970, the *Recreation Vehicles Act* 1973, the *Railway Construction and Property Board Act* 1979 and certain other acts, makes consequential amendments to various Acts, and for other purposes.
- 9922 Revocation and Excision of Crown Reservations Act revokes the permanent reservations of certain lands, and for purposes connected therewith.
- 9923 Nuclear Activities (Prohibitions) Act prohibits in Victoria certain activities associated with the nuclear fuel cycle, amends the *State Electricity Commission Act* 1958, the *Electric Light and Power Act* 1958, and for other purposes.
- 9924 Racing (Amendment) Act establishes the Racing Appeals Tribunal and further amends the *Racing Act* 1958 with respect to the regulation of race-meetings, the distribution of commission by the Totalizator Agency Board, the application of the Race-courses Development Fund, betting on greyhound races, and for other purposes.
- 9925 Estate Agents (Reconstitution) Act amends the *Estate Agents Act* 1980 with respect to the Constitution of the Estate Agents Board, the qualifications for persons applying for estate agents licences, and for other purposes.
- 9926 Pipelines (Amendment) Act amends the *Pipelines Act* 1967, and for other purposes.
- 9927 State Insurance Office (Extension of Franchise) Act amends the *State Insurance Office Act* 1975 to extend the franchise of the State Insurance Office, and for other purposes.
- 9928 Fire Authorities Act amends the *Country Fire Authority Act* 1958, the *Metropolitan Fire Brigades Act* 1958, the *Metropolitan Fire Brigades Superannuation Act* 1976, and section 12 of the *Summary Offences Act* 1966.
- 9929 State Board of Education Act establishes a State Board of Education, and for other purposes.
- 9930 Barley Marketing (Amendment) Act amends the *Barley Marketing Act* 1958, and for other purposes.
- 9931 Liquor Control Act amends the *Liquor Control Act* 1968, and for other purposes.
- 9932 Firearms (Amendment) Act amends the *Firearms Act* 1958.
- 9933 Post-Secondary Education (Amendment) Act provides for the better development and co-ordination of Technical and Further Education in Victoria, establishes a Technical and Further Education Board, amends the *Post-Secondary Education Act* 1978 and other Acts, and for other purposes.
- 9934 Hospitals and Charities (Committees of Management) Act amends the *Hospitals and Charities Act* 1958, the *Health Act* 1958 and the *Cancer Act* 1958, facilitates employee representation on hospital committees of

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- management, provides for a retirement age of 72 years for members of those committees, makes provision relating to the disclosure of information by specified persons, and for other persons.
- 9935 Construction Industry Long Service Leave Act makes special provision in relation to long service leave for persons employed in the construction industry, re-enacts with amendments the *Building Industry Long Service Leave Act 1975*, repeals the *Construction Industry (Electrical and Metal Trades) Long Service Leave Act 1982*, amends certain other Acts, and for other purposes.
- 9936 Mines (Amendment) Act amends the *Mines Act 1958*, the *Crown Land (Reserves) Act 1978*, the *Extractive Industries Act 1966*, the *Explosives Act 1960*, the *Forests Act 1958*, the *Groundwater Act 1969*, the *Inflammable Liquids Act 1966*, the *Liquefied Gases Act 1968*, the *Mining Development Act 1958*, the *National Parks Act 1975*, the *Petroleum Act 1958*, the *Town and Country Planning Act 1961*, and for other purposes.
- 9937 Constitution Corporations' (Franchise) Act makes provision with respect to the franchise for certain corporations in municipal elections, amends the *Constitution Act 1975*, and for other purposes.
- 9938 Superannuation (Fund Contributions) Act amends the *Superannuation Act 1958* and section 8C of the *Pensions Supplementation Act 1966*.
- 9939 Crown Intellectual Property (Assignment) Act authorises the Treasurer of Victoria to assign certain copyright and trade marks, and for other purposes.
- 9940 Associations Incorporation (Amendment) Act provides for the payment of certain fees under the *Associations Incorporation Act 1981*, exempts from stamp duty certain instruments giving effect to the vesting of land in incorporated associations, and for those purposes amends the *Associations Incorporation Act 1981*, and for other purposes.
- 9941 Annual Reporting Act provides for the reporting to Parliament annually of Ministers in relation to Departments of the Public Service and of Public Bodies, and for other purposes.
- 9942 Nudity (Prescribed Areas) Act permits nudity in certain public places.
- 9943 State Film Centre of Victoria Council Act establishes the State Film Centre of Victoria Council and makes provision for the management and operation of the State Film Centre, amends the *Ministry for the Arts Act 1972*, and for other purposes.
- 9944 Victorian Prison Industries Commission Act establishes a Victorian Prison Industries Commission, amends the *Community Welfare Services Act 1970*, and for other purposes.
- 9945 Penalties and Sentences (Amendment) Act further amends the law relating to penalties and sentences, amends the *Penalties and Sentences Act 1981* and other Acts, and for other purposes.
- 9946 Fisheries (Amendment) Act amends the *Fisheries Act 1968* to provide for the payment of money into the Victorian Fishing Industry Trust Fund, the payment of a surcharge on licences issued under that Act, the issue of fish traders' licences, and to amend section 72 of the said Act.
- 9947 Instruments (Bills of Exchange) Act amends the *Instruments Act 1958* to increase the time limits for the giving of leave to defend actions on bills of exchange, extends the application of the procedure for actions on such bills to Magistrates' Courts and for that purpose amends the *Magistrates (Summary Proceedings) Act 1975*, amends the *County Court Act 1958*, and for other purposes.
- 9948 Medical Practitioners (Conditional Registration) Act amends the *Medical Practitioners Act 1970* with respect to conditional medical registrations.
- 9949 Local Authorities Superannuation (Amendment) Act amends the *Local Authorities Superannuation Act 1958* to enable it to remain consistent with other superannuation schemes, and for other purposes.
- 9950 Vermin and Noxious Weeds (Re-organization) Act amends the *Vermin and Noxious Weeds Act 1958*.
- 9951 Labour and Industry (Shop Trading) Act makes further provision in relation to shop trading hours and for that purpose amends the *Labour and Industry Act 1958*, and for other purposes.
- 9952 Zoological Parks and Gardens (Amendment) Act amends the *Zoological Parks and Gardens Act 1967* to enable the appointment of an additional member to the Zoological Board of Victoria, varies the requirements relating to borrowing, investment, and financial reporting by that Board and with respect to penalties for breaches of regulations under that Act, and for other purposes.
- 9953 Chattel Securities (Amendment) Act amends the *Chattel Securities Act 1981*, and for other purposes.
- 9954 Small Claims Tribunals (Amendment) Act amends the *Small Claims Tribunals Act 1973*, and for other purposes.
- 9955 Director-General of Conservation, Forests and Lands Act provides for the appointment of a Director-General of Conservation, Forests and Lands.
- 9956 Border Railways Act amends the *Border Railways Act 1922*, and for other purposes.
- 9957 County Court Jurisdiction Act amends the *County Court Act 1958* with respect to the appointment of acting judges, the jurisdiction of the County Court, and for other purposes.
- 9958 Appropriation (1983-84 No. 1) Act appropriates certain sums out of the Consolidated Fund for the service of the financial year 1983-84 and appropriates the supplies granted in this session of Parliament, and for other purposes.
- 9959 Constitution (Judges) Act amends section 75(2) of the *Constitution Act 1975*.
- 9960 Parole Orders (Transfer) Act relates to the reciprocal enforcement of parole orders.
- 9961 Consumer Affairs (Product Safety) Act amends the *Consumer Affairs Act 1972* to provide for the making by the Minister of

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- Orders prohibiting the supply of certain goods, and for other purposes.
- 9962 Summer Time (Amendment) Act amends the *Summer Time Act 1972*.
- 9963 State Co-ordination Council (Repeal) Act repeals the *State Co-ordination Council Act 1975*, amends the *Town and Country Planning Act 1961* and the *Upper Yarra Valley and Dandenong Ranges Authority Act 1976*, and for other purposes.
- 9964 Liquor Control (Booth Licences) Act amends the *Liquor Control Act 1968* with respect to booth licences and for other purposes.
- 9965 Business Franchise Acts (Further Amendment) Act amends the Business Franchise Acts with respect to fees and refunds, and for other purposes.
- 9966 Community Welfare Services (Director-General of Corrections) Act makes provision with respect to the functions of the Director-General of Corrections and the Office of Corrections, and for that purpose amends the *Community Welfare Services Act 1970*, the *Crimes Act 1958*, the *Penalties and Sentences Act 1981*, the *Prisoners (Interstate Transfer) Act 1983*, and for other purposes.
- 9967 Penalty Interest Rates Act amends the *Supreme Court Act 1958*, the *County Court Act 1958*, the *Property Law Act 1958*, the *Transfer of Land Act 1958*, and the *Magistrates' Courts Act 1971* with respect to the payment of interest on certain unpaid money, makes provision for rates of interest payable under certain instruments and for purposes connected therewith.
- 9968 Community Welfare Services (Pre-Released Programme) Act provides for a community-based pre-release programme to better integrate prisoners back into the community during the final portion of their prison sentences, amends the *Community Welfare Services Act 1970* and the *Penalties and Sentences Act 1981*, and for other purposes.
- 9969 Land Tax Act amends the *Land Tax Act 1958*, and for other purposes.
- 9970 Public Lands and Works (Amendment) Act amends the *Public Lands and Works Act 1964*, extends the powers of delegation of the Minister of Public Works, enables other Ministers of the Crown to authorise repairs to buildings for which they are responsible, and for other purposes.
- 9971 Works and Services Appropriation Act makes provision with respect to the appropriation of money out of the Works and Services Account for certain works and purposes.
- 9972 Tattersall Consultations Act amends the *Tattersall Consultations Act 1958*, and for other purposes.
- 9973 Legal Profession Practice (Amendment) Act amends the *Legal Profession Practice Act 1958*, and for other purposes.
- 9974 Alpine Resorts Act makes provision for the establishment of an Alpine Resorts Commission, makes provision with respect to the powers, duties, and functions of that Commission and the development, management, and improvement of alpine resorts, amends the *Forests Act 1958*, the *Local Government Act 1958*, repeals the *Mount Hotham Alpine Resort Act 1972*, and for other purposes.
- 9975 Police Regulation (Police Reservists) Act amends the *Police Regulation Act 1958* in respect of payments to police reservists, and for other purposes.
- 9976 Transfer of Land (Amendment) Act amends the *Transfer of Land Act 1958*, and for other purposes.
- 9977 Mental Health (Further Amendment) Act further amends the *Mental Health Act 1959*, and for other purposes.
- 9978 State Employees Retirement Benefits (Amendment) Act amends the *State Employees Retirement Benefits Act 1979*, and for other purposes.
- 9979 Hospitals Superannuation (Amendment) Act amends the *Hospitals Superannuation Act 1965*, and for other purposes.
- 9980 Labour and Industry (Fees) Act amends the *Labour and Industry Act 1958* with respect to fees, and for other purposes.
- 9981 Firearms (Further Amendment) Act further amends the *Firearms Act 1958*, amends the *Firearms (Amendment) Act 1983*, and for other purposes.
- 9982 Business Franchise (Tobacco) (Amendment) Act makes provision for fees in border areas of Victoria, amends the *Business Franchise (Tobacco) Act 1974*, and for other purposes.
- 9983 LaTrobe Regional Commission Act makes provision with respect to the planning and development of the LaTrobe region, establishes the LaTrobe Regional Commission, and for other purposes.
- 9984 Transport (Borrowing Agency) Act amends the *Transport Act 1983* to empower the Victoria Transport Borrowing Agency to borrow money as principal or as agent for certain authorities, to purchase certain land, and for other purposes.
- 9985 Werribee Shire Hall Act repeals the *Wyndham Shire Hall Act 1982*.
- 9986 Probate Duty (Amendment) Act makes further amendment to the *Probate Duty Act 1962* consequential on the abolition of probate duty, and for other purposes.
- 9987 Eltham Land (Amendment) Act amends the *Eltham Land Act 1975*, and for other purposes.
- 9988 Environment Protection (Amendment) Act amends the *Environment Protection Act 1970*.
- 9989 Energy Consumption Levy (Amendment) Act relates to assessments under the *Energy Consumption Levy Act 1982*, interest rates under that Act and for those purposes amends that Act, and for other purposes.
- 9990 Melbourne Cricket Ground (Amendment) Act relates to a ground known as the Melbourne Cricket Ground, to the Trustees of the Melbourne Cricket Ground, and amends the *Melbourne Cricket Ground Act 1933*.
- 9991 Stamps (Further Amendment) Act amends the *Stamps Act 1958*, section 21B of the *Motor Car Act 1958*, the *Stamps (Amendment) Act 1978*, the *Motor Car (Mass and Dimension Limits) Act 1981*, and for other purposes.

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9992	Criminal Injuries Compensation Act re-enacts with amendments the law relating to compensation for persons injured by criminal acts and compensation for dependants of persons killed by criminal acts, repeals the <i>Criminal Injuries Compensation Act 1972</i> , and for other purposes.		in relation to fire suppression and prevention, lighting fires during fire danger periods and compensation to casual fire-fighters, and for other purposes.
9993	Education (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Education Act 1958</i> , the <i>Education (Amendment) Act 1981</i> , the <i>Forests Act 1958</i> , the <i>Workers Compensation Act 1958</i> , and for other purposes.	10005	State Bank (Amendment) Act amends the <i>State Bank Act 1958</i> with respect to the borrowing powers of the commissioners of the State Bank of Victoria and the payment by the commissioners of contributions in aid of the Consolidated Fund, amends the <i>Stamps Act 1958</i> , and for other purposes.
9994	Water (Delegation of Powers) Act amends the <i>Water Act 1958</i> and the <i>Water Resources Act 1975</i> to permit the delegation of certain powers.	10006	Fisheries (Further Amendment) Act further amends the <i>Fisheries Act 1968</i> , and for other purposes.
9995	Occupier's Liability Act relates to the standard of care owed by occupiers and landlords of premises to persons on the premises, amends the <i>Wrongs Act 1958</i> , and for other purposes.	10007	Magistrates Summary Proceedings (Warrants of Distress) Act makes further provision with respect to warrants of distress, amends the <i>Magistrates (Summary Proceedings) Act 1975</i> , and for other purposes.
9996	Water (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Water Act 1958</i> in relation to the powers of the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission, and for other purposes.	10008	Port Fairy Land Act provides for the vesting in the Crown of certain land abutting the wharf on the Moyne River at Port Fairy.
9997	Films (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Films Act 1971</i> to provide for the classification, regulation, and distribution of video films, amends the <i>Police Offences Act 1958</i> , and for other purposes.	10009	Pay-roll Tax (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Pay-roll Tax Act 1971</i> , and for other purposes.
9998	Motor Car Traders (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Motor Car Traders Act 1973</i> with respect to trading in motor cars by wholesale and auction and with respect to motor car traders trading as agents, and for other purposes.	10010	State Disasters Act makes provision with respect to the co-ordination of the functions of all government agencies and officers in relation to the combating of disasters, and for other purposes.
9999	Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Act 1958</i> in relation to the extent and effectiveness of the operations of the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works, and for other purposes.	10011	Land (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Land Act 1958</i> , and for other purposes.
10000	Industrial Relations (Further Amendment) Act further amends the <i>Industrial Relations Act 1979</i> , and for other purposes.	10012	Legal Profession Practice (Further Amendment) Act amends the <i>Legal Profession Practice Act 1958</i> and the <i>Summary Offences Act 1966</i> with respect to money collected under those Acts, and for other purposes.
10001	State Electricity Commission (Clearance of Lines) Act amends the <i>State Electricity Commission Act 1958</i> to require occupiers of land and other persons to maintain electric lines and to keep trees clear of those lines in order to provide for a code of practice, and for other purposes.	10013	Courts (Powers of Investment) Act amends the <i>County Court Act 1958</i> , the <i>Supreme Court Act 1958</i> , and the <i>Magistrates' Courts Act 1971</i> to authorise the investment of money held by the Courts under those Acts and to provide for the payment of interest into the Consolidated Fund, and for other purposes.
10002	Drugs, Poisons and Controlled Substances (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Drugs, Poisons and Controlled Substances Act 1981</i> , the <i>Alcoholics and Drug Dependent Persons (Amendment) Act 1981</i> , the <i>Medical Practitioners Act 1970</i> , the <i>Bail Act 1977</i> , and the <i>Vagrancy Act 1966</i> , makes further provision with respect to offences involving drugs of dependence, and other matters.	10014	Racing (Further Amendment) Act amends the <i>Racing Act 1958</i> with respect to the membership of the Totalizator Agency Board and the appointment of the principal administrative officers and other officers of the Harness Racing Board, the Greyhound Racing Control Board and the Totalizator Agency Board, and for other purposes.
10003	Public Authorities (Dividends) Act requires certain public authorities to pay dividends to the State, amends the <i>Public Authorities (Contributions) Act 1966</i> , the <i>Public Authorities (Contributions) (Amendment) Act 1983</i> , the <i>Port of Melbourne Authority Act 1958</i> , and for other purposes.	10015	Liquor Control (Fees) Act amends provisions of the <i>Liquor Control Act 1968</i> relating to certain licences, and for other purposes.
10004	Country Fire Authority (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Country Fire Authority Act 1958</i>	10016	Pensioners Rates Remission Act relates to the calculation of the entitlement to the remission of rates for certain pensioners, amends the <i>Health Act 1958</i> , the <i>Local Government Act 1958</i> , and for other purposes.
		10017	Water (Borrowing Powers) Act amends the <i>Water Act 1958</i> with respect to borrowings.
		10018	Employment Agents Act makes provision for the licensing and regulation of employment agents, amends the <i>Market Court Act 1978</i> , the <i>Consumer Affairs Act 1972</i> , and the <i>Ministry of Consumer Affairs Act 1973</i> with respect to employment and employment agents, and for other purposes.
		10019	Local Government (General Amendment)

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	Act makes further provision with respect to municipal council powers, amends the <i>Local Government Act</i> 1958, makes consequential amendments to certain other Acts, and for other purposes.	10032	Medical Practitioners (Further Amendment) Act amends the <i>Medical Practitioners Act</i> 1970, to make provision with respect to private hospitals in which a medical practitioner has a notifiable interest, to amend the <i>Health Act</i> 1958, and for other purposes.
10020	Housing Act modernises housing law, improves housing administration in Victoria, repeals the <i>Housing Act</i> 1958, the <i>Home Finance Act</i> 1962, and certain other Acts, makes consequential amendments to various Acts, and for other purposes.	10033	Firearms (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Firearms Act</i> 1958 to provide for the removal of the waiting period for the issue of a shooter's licence in some instances, and for other purposes.
10021	State Electricity Commission (Brown Coal Royalty) Act amends the <i>State Electricity Commission Act</i> 1958 with respect to the payments to be transferred to the Consolidated Fund by the State Electricity Commission in respect of coal produced from brown coal workings or State coal mines, and for other purposes.	10034	Albury-Wodonga Agreement (Covenants) Act amends the <i>Albury-Wodonga Agreement Act</i> 1973, empowers the Albury-Wodonga (Victoria) Corporation to impose covenants on land vested in the Corporation, and for other purposes.
10022	Health Commission (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Health Commission Act</i> 1977, and for other purposes.	10035	Fisheries (Abalone Licences) Act amends the <i>Fisheries Act</i> 1968 with respect to abalone licences, and for other purposes.
10023	Motor Car (Penalties) Act enables the admission in certain proceedings of evidence of the recording of demerit points, provides for mandatory suspension of licence in relation to certain speeding offences and to remove doubt as to penalties for certain other offences, and for those purposes amends the <i>Motor Car Act</i> 1958 and the <i>Motor Car (Penalties) Act</i> 1982, and for other purposes.	10036	Annual Reporting (Amendment) Act provides for the report to Parliament annually of Ministers in relation to departments of the Public Service and of Public Bodies, amends the <i>Annual Reporting Act</i> 1983, and for other purposes.
10024	Egg Industry Stabilization Act re-enacts with amendments the law relating to and providing for the stabilization of the egg industry repeals the <i>Egg Industry Stabilization Act</i> 1973, and for other purposes.	10037	Environment Protection (Unleaded Petrol) Act amends the <i>Environment Protection Act</i> 1970.
10025	Geelong Market Site Act facilitates the redevelopment of the market site in Geelong, repeals certain Acts, and for other purposes.	10038	Archaeological and Aboriginal Relics Preservation (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Archaeological and Aboriginal Relics Preservation Act</i> 1972.
10026	Crimes (Procedure) Act facilitates the hearing of trials in the Supreme Court and County Court, for that purpose amends the <i>Crimes Act</i> 1958, and for other purposes.	10039	Melbourne Cricket Ground Act facilitates the construction of floodlight towers and the operation of floodlights at the Melbourne Cricket Ground, amends the <i>Melbourne Cricket Ground Act</i> 1933, and for other purposes.
10027	Trustee Companies (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Trustee Companies Act</i> 1958, and for other purposes.	10040	Country Fire Authority (Borrowing Powers) Act amends the <i>Country Fire Authority Act</i> 1958 to increase the borrowing powers of the Country Fire Authority.
10028	Estate Agents (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Estate Agents Act</i> 1980, the <i>Trustee Companies Act</i> 1958, and the <i>Estate Agents (Reconstitution) Act</i> 1983, and for other purposes.	10041	Gas and Fuel Corporation (Borrowing Powers) Act amends the <i>Gas and Fuel Corporation Act</i> 1958 to increase the borrowing powers of the Gas and Fuel Corporation of Victoria, and for other purposes.
10029	Teaching Service Act establishes the Teaching Service, amends the <i>Education Service Act</i> 1981, the <i>Post-Secondary Education Act</i> 1978, the <i>Education Act</i> 1958, the <i>Constitution Act</i> 1975, the <i>Constitution Act Amendment Act</i> 1958, the <i>Public Service Act</i> 1974, and certain other Acts, and for other purposes.	10042	Forests (Wood Pulp Agreement) Act ratifies, validates, approves, and otherwise gives effect to an agreement between the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands, the Forests Commission, and Australian Paper Manufacturers Limited supplemental to the agreement referred to in the <i>Forests (Wood Pulp Agreement) Act</i> 1961, and for other purposes.
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10030	Criminal Proceedings Act makes special provisions with respect to certain criminal proceedings, and for other purposes.	10044	Post-Secondary Education (Miscellaneous amendments) Act amends the <i>Post-Secondary Education Act</i> 1978, the <i>Post-Secondary Education (Amendment) Act</i> 1981, and the <i>Post-Secondary Education (Amendment) Act</i> 1983, and for other purposes.
10031	Police Regulation (Amendment) Act amends section 4(2) of the <i>Police Regulation Act</i> 1958.	10045	Public Account (Amendment) Act facilitates the enactment of a Supply Act and an

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	Appropriation Act combining recurrent and works appropriations in a programme format and to modify the <i>Audit Act</i> 1958, amend the <i>Public Account Act</i> 1958 and consequentially amend the <i>Water Act</i> 1958, and for other purposes.		the use of information in the possession of the Commissioner of Land Tax in connexion with the project known as Landata.
10046	Public Service (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Public Service Act</i> 1974, and for other purposes.	10059	Lands (Miscellaneous Matters) Act revokes the permanent reservations of certain lands, revokes the Crown grant of certain lands, provides for the sale of certain lands, and for other purposes.
10047	Urban Land Authority (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Urban Land Authority Act</i> 1979, and for other purposes.	10060	Water (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Water Act</i> 1958 providing for an alternative system of charging for water supplied to rural districts and to reduce the interest-free period for payment of charges for water, and for other purposes.
10048	Water and Sewerage Authorities (Further Restructuring) Act amends the <i>Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage Act</i> 1958, the <i>Mildura Irrigation and Water Trusts Act</i> 1958, the <i>Water Act</i> 1958 and the <i>Water and Sewerage Authorities (Restructuring) Act</i> 1983 for the purpose of further restructuring Victoria's Urban Water and Sewerage Authorities, amends certain other Acts, and for other purposes.	10061	Co-operation (Amendment) Act empowers the Registrar of Co-operatives to vary common bond requirements of credit societies and provides for annual appropriation of profits by credit societies to a reserve fund, and for other purposes.
10049	Grain Handling Improvement Authorities (Abolition) Act abolishes the Geelong Grain Handling Improvement Authority, the Portland Grain Handling Improvement Authority, and the Country Grain Handling Improvement Authority, transfers the rights, properties, duties, and obligations of those Authorities to the Grain Elevators Board, and for other purposes.	10062	Superannuation (Amendment) Act provides for superannuation for part-time officers, provides further superannuation for officers on leave, amends the <i>Superannuation Act</i> 1958 and the <i>Superannuation (Lump Sum Benefits) Act</i> 1981, and for other purposes.
10050	Sale (Land Development) Act provides for the re-location of Sale Railway Station and the development of the land in and in the vicinity of the former railway station, and for other purposes.	10063	Judgement Debt Recovery Act provides for the recovery of judgement debts by instalments, amends the <i>Imprisonment of Fraudulent Debtors Act</i> 1958, the <i>Supreme Court Act</i> 1958 and the <i>Magistrates (Summary Proceedings) Act</i> 1975, and for other purposes.
10051	Exhibition (Borrowing Powers) Act amends the <i>Exhibition Act</i> 1957 to increase the borrowing power of the Exhibition Trustees.	10064	Drainage of Land (Amendment) Act amends Part I of the <i>Drainage of Land Act</i> 1975 with respect to the rights and duties of occupiers of land, amends the <i>Water Act</i> 1958 and the <i>Planning Appeals Board Act</i> 1980, and for other purposes.
10052	Market Court (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Market Court Act</i> 1978, and for other purposes.	10065	Teaching Service (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Teaching Service Act</i> 1981, the <i>Education Service (Amendment) Act</i> 1982, and the <i>Teaching Service Act</i> 1983, provides for interim Teaching Service Appeals Boards for the purposes of the <i>Teaching Service Act</i> 1981, and for other purposes.
10053	Professional Boxing Control (Suspension of Registration) Act amends the <i>Professional Boxing Control Act</i> 1975 to provide for suspension of a boxer's registration in certain situations, and for other purposes.	10066	Groundwater (Reserves) Act amends the <i>Groundwater Act</i> 1969 to provide for the reservation of groundwater resources for future public use, and for other purposes.
10054	Public Lands and Works (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Public Lands and Works Act</i> 1964 by extending the powers of delegation of the Minister of Public works; to enable other Ministers of the Crown to authorise minor works to buildings for which they are responsible, and for other purposes.	10067	Stamps Act amends Subdivisions (4), (4A), and (6) of Part II of and the Third Schedule to the <i>Stamps Act</i> 1958, amends the <i>Cattle Compensation Act</i> 1967, and for other purposes.
10055	Subordinate Legislation (Revocation) Act revokes certain classes of Subordinate Legislation made prior to 1 August 1962, and for other purposes.	10068	Victorian Public Authorities Finance Act establishes a Victorian Public Authorities Finance Agency, provides financial services for certain Public Authorities in Victoria, and for other purposes.
10056	Zoological Parks and Gardens (Liquor Licence) Act amends the <i>Zoological Parks and Gardens Act</i> 1967 to make provision for the issue of liquor licences to the Zoological Board of Victoria, and for other purposes.	10069	Status of Children (Amendment) Act relates to the status of persons conceived by certain means, amends the <i>Status of Children Act</i> 1974, and for other purposes.
10057	Extractive Industries (Renewal of Leases and Licences) Act provides for the renewal of leases and licences under the <i>Extractive Industries Act</i> 1966, amends that Act, and for other purposes.	10070	Pensioner Concessions (Rehabilitation Allowance) Act grants concessions to persons receiving the Commonwealth rehabilitation allowance, amends the <i>Municipalities Assistance Act</i> 1973, the <i>Motor</i>
10058	Land Tax (Landata Project) Act provides for		

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- 10071 *Car Act 1958* and the *Land Tax Act 1958*, and for other purposes.
- 10072 *Prahran Mechanics' Institute Act* provides for the *Prahran Mechanics' Institution and Circulating Library Incorporated*, amends the *Prahran Mechanics' Institute Act 1899*, and for other purposes.
- 10073 *Medical Practitioners (Miscellaneous amendments) Act* amends the *Medical Practitioners Act 1970*, and for other purposes.
- 10074 *National Parks (Amendment) Act* creates a new National Park and other new parks, amends the *National Parks Act 1975*, the *Forest Act 1958* and the *Mt. Hotham Alpine Resort Act 1972*, validates certain transfers of land made by the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works, and for other purposes.
- 10075 *Evidence (Amendment) Act* amends the *Evidence Act 1958*, and for other purposes.
- 10076 *Supreme Court (Amendment) Act* amends the *Supreme Court Act 1958* in relation to appeals to the Full Court and the rules relating to parties in causes or matters.
- 10077 *Crimes (Criminal Investigations) Act* amends the law relating to the investigation of crimes by the police, amends the *Crimes Act 1958*, and for other purposes.
- 10078 *Magistrates' Courts (Jurisdiction) Act* amends the law relating to the jurisdiction of justices, the jurisdiction of magistrates' courts and the procedure in magistrates' courts in relation to certain offences, amends the *Magistrates' Courts Act 1971*, the *Coroners Act 1958* and the *Magistrates (Summary Proceedings) Act 1975*, and for other purposes.
- 10079 *Wrongs (Animals Straying on Highways) Act* modifies the law relating to liability for animals straying on to highways, amends the *Wrongs Act 1958*, and for other purposes.
- 10080 *Crimes (Conspiracy and Incitement) Act* amends and codifies the law relating to conspiracy and incitement, amends the *Crimes Act 1958*, and for other purposes.
- 10081 *Penalties and Sentences (Youth Attendance Projects) Act* empowers courts to order attendance at Youth Attendance Projects as a non-custodial alternative to detention in a youth training centre for young offenders, amends the *Penalties and Sentences Act 1981*, the *Community Welfare Services Act 1970*, and other Acts, and for other purposes.
- 10082 *Water (Central Management Restructuring) Act* abolishes the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission and the Water Resources Council, establishes a Rural Water Commission of Victoria, makes provision with respect to the powers of the Minister for Water Resources, incorporates the Director-General of Water Resources, amends the *Water Act 1958*, repeals the *Water Resources Act 1975* and the *Water (Delegation of Powers) Act 1983*, makes consequential amendments to various Acts, and for other purposes.
- 10083 *Food Act* consolidates and amends the law relating to the preparation and sale of food, provides for securing the wholesomeness and purity of, and fixing standards for food, prevents false or misleading packaging and labelling of food, and false or misleading advertising in connexion with food, amends the *Health Act 1958*, the *Magistrates (Summary Proceedings) Act 1975*, and the *Health Commission Act 1977*, and for other purposes.
- 10084 *Pathology Services Accreditation Act* establishes the Pathology Services Accreditation Board, provides for the accreditation of pathology services, and for other purposes.
- 10085 *Crimes (General Amendment) Act* amends the law relating to crimes and criminal law procedure, amends the *Crimes Act 1958*, and other Acts, and for other purposes.
- 10086 *Transport (Traffic Infringement Notices) Act* amends the *Transport Act 1983* with respect to the traffic infringements for which traffic infringement notices may be issued, and for other purposes.
- 10087 *Motor Car (Amendment) Act* amends the *Motor Car Act 1958*.
- 10088 *Statute Law Revision Act* revises the Statute Law of Victoria.
- 10089 *Supply (1984-85, No. 1) Act* provides for the appropriation of moneys out of the consolidated Fund for the recurrent services and for certain works and purposes for the financial year 1984-85.
- 10090 *State Insurance Office Act* establishes the State Insurance Office as a body corporate under the Management and Control of a Board of Management, provides for Insurance Business to be undertaken by the State Insurance Office, repeals the *State Insurance Urban Land Authority (Amendment) Act*
- 10091 *Building Control (Amendment) Act* amends the *Building Control Act 1981*.
- 10092 *Credit (Administration) Act* relates to the Administration of the *Credit Act 1984*, makes provision for the licensing of certain persons, for tribunals and for other matters, and for other purposes.
- 10093 *Environment Protection (Review) Act* amends the *Environment Protection Act 1970* with respect to the constitution, powers, duties, and functions of the Environment Protection Authority, establishes the Environment Council, provides for the protection of the environment, amends the *Planning Appeals Board Act 1980*, and for other purposes.
- 10094 *Town and Country Planning (Amendment) Act* amends the *Town and Country Planning Act 1961*, the *Port Phillip Authority Act 1966* and the *Planning Appeals Board Act 1980*, and for other purposes.
- 10095 *Planning (Brothels) Act* amends the *Town and Country Planning Act 1961*, the *Crimes Act 1958*, the *Vagrancy Act 1966*, and the *Summary Offences Act 1966* with respect to brothels, and for other purposes.
- 10096 *Equal Opportunity Act* renders unlawful certain kinds of discrimination, promotes equality of opportunity between persons of different status, amends the *Companies (Consequential Amendments) Act 1981*, repeals the *Equal Opportunity (Discrimi-*

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	<i>nation Against Disabled Persons</i>) Act 1982, and for other purposes.		ends the <i>Monash University Act</i> 1958.
10096	Interpretation of Legislation Act makes fresh provision with respect to the construction and operation of, and the shortening of the language used in, Acts of Parliament and subordinate instruments, repeals the <i>Acts Interpretation Act</i> 1958, amends the <i>Property Law Act</i> 1958, the <i>Supreme Court Act</i> 1958, the <i>Subordinate Legislation Act</i> 1962, the <i>Constitution Act</i> 1975, the <i>Penalties and Sentences Act</i> 1981, and certain other Acts, and for other purposes.	10110	Deakin University (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Deakin University Act</i> 1958.
		10111	Industrial Relations (Long Service Leave) Act amends Part VII of the <i>Industrial Relations Act</i> 1979, and for other purposes.
10097	Credit Act relates to the provision of credit, the regulation of contracts providing credit, and of matters connected with the provision of credit, repeals the <i>Money Lenders Act</i> 1958 and the <i>Credit Act</i> 1981, amends the <i>Hire-Purchase Act</i> 1959, the <i>Chattel Securities Act</i> 1981, and certain other Acts, and for other purposes.	10112	Melbourne Corporation (Election of Council) (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Melbourne Corporation (Election of Council) Act</i> 1982 to enable the holding of a general election and to provide for the fixing of the day in 1985 on which that election is to be held.
		10113	Motor Car (Licences) Act amends the <i>Motor Car Act</i> 1958, repeals the <i>Motor Car (Drivers' Licences) Act</i> 1981, and for other purposes.
10098	Liquor Control (Booth Licences) Act amends the <i>Liquor Control Act</i> 1968 with respect to Booth Licences, and for other purposes.	10114	Children (Guardianship and Custody) Act provides for certain guardianship and custody orders relating to children, and for other purposes.
10099	Local Government (Long Service Leave) Act amends the <i>Local Government Act</i> 1958 with respect to long service leave, and for other purposes.	10115	Alcoa (Portland Aluminium Smelter) (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Alcoa (Portland Aluminium Smelter) Act</i> 1980, rectifies, validates, and approves a supplemental agreement between the Premier for, and on behalf of, the State of Victoria and Alcoa of Australia Limited with respect to the establishment of an aluminium smelter at Portland in the State of Victoria, amends the <i>Victorian Economic Development Corporation Act</i> 1981 and the <i>Mines (Aluminium Agreement) Act</i> 1961, and for other purposes.
10100	Workers compensation (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Workers compensation Act</i> 1958, and for other purposes.	10116	Melbourne Cricket Ground (Guarantees) Act authorises the Treasurer to guarantee the repayment or satisfaction of money borrowed, or advances, or other financial accommodation obtained by the Melbourne Cricket Club, amends the <i>Melbourne Cricket Club Act</i> 1974 with respect to the borrowing powers of the Melbourne Cricket Club, repeals the <i>Melbourne Cricket Club (Guarantee) Act</i> 1954, the <i>Melbourne Cricket Club (Guarantee) Act</i> 1958 and the <i>Melbourne Cricket Ground (Guarantees) Act</i> 1966, and for other purposes.
10101	Magistrates' Courts (Appointment of Magistrates) Act provides for the appointment and tenure of Stipendiary Magistrates, and for other purposes.	10117	County Court (Amendment) Act amends the <i>County Court Act</i> 1958 with respect to the appointment of masters to assist in the work of the Court, provides for pleadings in the County Court, amends the <i>Supreme Court Act</i> 1958 with respect to appeals from masters of the County Court, and for other purposes.
10102	Ethnic Affairs Commission (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Ethnic Affairs Commission Act</i> 1982.	10118	Stamps (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Stamps Act</i> 1958, the <i>Motor Boating Act</i> 1961, the <i>Financial Institutions Duty Act</i> 1982, and the <i>Audit Act</i> 1958, and for other purposes.
10103	State Bank (Amendment) Act amends the <i>State Bank Act</i> 1958 with respect to the capital of The Commissioners of the State Bank of Victoria and the promotion and formation by the Commissioners of corporations and other bodies, and for other purposes.	10119	Water Charge Concessions Act provides concessions to certain persons in relation to the supply of water, amends the <i>Water Act</i> 1958, the <i>Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage Act</i> 1958, the <i>Mildura Irrigation Trusts and Sunraysia Water Board Act</i> 1958 and the <i>Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Act</i> 1958, and for other purposes.
10104	Pipelines (Permits) Act amends the <i>Pipelines Act</i> 1967 for the procedures to be followed in applications for permits under Part II of that Act and the manner in which such applications are to be determined, and for other purposes.	10120	Youth, Sport and Recreation (Advisory Councils) Act amends the <i>Youth, Sport and Recreation Act</i> 1972 and the <i>Youth, Sport and Recreation (State Sports Council) Act</i> 1984 in
10105	Youth, Sport and Recreation (State Sports Council) Act establishes the State Sports Council, amends the <i>Youth, Sport and Recreation Act</i> 1972, and for other purposes.		
10106	Constitution (Duration of Parliament) Act amends the <i>Constitution Act</i> 1975 and the <i>Constitution Act Amendment Act</i> 1958 with respect to the duration of the Legislative Assembly, the tenure of members of the Legislative Council, and the dissolution of the Legislative Assembly, and for other purposes.		
10107	Valuation of Land (Valuations) Act amends the <i>Valuation of Land Act</i> 1960 and the <i>Local Government Act</i> 1958, and for other purposes.		
10108	Senate Elections (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Senate Elections Act</i> 1958.		
10109	Monash University (Amendment) Act am-		

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	relation to advisory councils under the <i>Youth, Sport and Recreation Act</i> 1972, and for other purposes.	10138	Fundraising Appeals Act regulates and controls the raising and application of money and other benefits from the public, amends the <i>Hospitals and Charities Act</i> 1958, and for other purposes.
10121	Land Tax (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Land Tax Act</i> 1958, and for other purposes.	10139	Land (Miscellaneous Matters) Act revokes the permanent reservations of certain lands and closure of portions of certain roads, amends the <i>Melbourne General Market Lands Act</i> 1917, and for other purposes.
10122	Audit (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Audit Act</i> 1958 with respect to the issue of public moneys, repeals the <i>Public Account (Amendment) Act</i> 1984, and for other purposes.	10140	Industrial Relations (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Industrial Relations Act</i> 1979, and for other purposes.
10123	Pay-roll Tax (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Pay-roll Tax Act</i> 1971, and for other purposes.	10141	Port Bellarine Tourist Resort (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Port Bellarine Tourist Resort Act</i> 1981, provides for certain alterations to the plan for a tourist resort, and for other purposes.
10124	Firearms (General Amendment) Act amends the <i>Firearms Act</i> 1958 with respect to the recognition of interstate licences, grants display licences and exemptions from the operation of the Act, provides greater controls over firearms and licence-holders, and for other purposes.	10142	Health (Radiation Safety) Act amends the <i>Health Act</i> 1958 with respect to the licensing of persons and the registration of apparatus and sources under Division 2AA of Part V. of that Act, and for other purposes.
10125	Constitution (Council Vacancies) Act provides for the filling of places of members of the Legislative Council for the provinces named Ballarat, Boronia, Monash, or Western whose seats fall vacant in certain circumstances, and for other purposes.	10143	Trustee (Amendment) Act provides for a secondary mortgage market, makes certain securities authorised trustee investments, amends the <i>Trustee Act</i> 1958, and for other purposes.
10126	Motor Car (Insurance Surcharge) Act repeals the surcharge on insurance premiums under Part V of the <i>Motor Car Act</i> 1958, and for other purposes.	10144	Crown Land (Reserves) (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Crown Land (Reserves) Act</i> 1978, the <i>Melbourne Market and Park Lands Act</i> 1933, and for other purposes.
10127	Lotteries, Gaming and Betting (Amendment) Act amends Part III of the <i>Lotteries, Gaming and Betting Act</i> 1966, and for other purposes.	10145	State Electricity Commission (Coal Corporation of Victoria) Act establishes a Coal Corporation of Victoria, to abolish the Victoria Brown Coal Council, amends the <i>State Electricity Commission Act</i> 1958 and the <i>Electric Light and Power Act</i> 1958, repeals the <i>Victorian Brown Coal Council Act</i> 1978, and for other purposes.
10128	Transfer of Land (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Transfer of Land Act</i> 1958, the <i>Strata Titles Act</i> 1967, and the <i>Cluster Titles Act</i> 1974, and for other purposes.	10146	The Constitution Act Amendment (Electoral Legislation) Act amends <i>The Constitution Act Amendment Act</i> 1958 with respect to the qualification and enrolment of electors, the conduct of elections, and the registration of political parties and candidates, amends the <i>Constitution Act</i> 1975 and the <i>Magistrates' Courts Act</i> 1971, and for other purposes.
10129	Fisheries (Reciprocal Licences) Act repeals section 18 of the <i>Fisheries Act</i> 1968, and for other purposes.	10147	Wine Grape Processing Industry (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Wine Grape Processing Industry Act</i> 1978, and for other purposes.
10130	Liquor Control (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Liquor Control Act</i> 1968 and the <i>Liquor Control Act</i> 1983, and for other purposes.	10148	Education (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Education (Amendment) Act</i> 1983 by repealing or amending in section 11 of that Act sub-sections (2) to (19), and amends the <i>Education Act</i> 1958.
10131	Law Reform Commission Act establishes the Law Reform Commission of Victoria and defines its functions, repeals the <i>Law Reform Act</i> 1973 and the <i>Law Reform Act</i> 1981, amends the <i>Victorian Law Foundation Act</i> 1978, and for other purposes.	10149	Fire Authorities Act amends the <i>Country Fire Authority Act</i> 1958, the <i>Country Fire Authority (Amendment) Act</i> 1983, and the <i>Metro-politan Fire Brigades Act</i> 1958, and for other purposes.
10132	Medical Practitioners (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Medical Practitioners Act</i> 1970, and for other purposes.	10150	Adoption Act amends and re-enacts the law relating to adoption, repeals the <i>Adoption of Children Act</i> 1964, makes consequential amendments to certain Acts, and for other purposes.
10133	Racing (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Racing (Amendment) Act</i> 1983.	10151	Appropriation (1984-85, No. 1) Act appropriates certain sums out of the Consolidated
10134	Lotteries, Gaming and Betting (Gaming Machines) Act amends Part V of the <i>Lotteries, Gaming and Betting Act</i> 1966, and for other purposes.		
10135	Pre-School Teachers and Assistants (Portability of Long Service Leave) Act provides for portability of long service leave for certain pre-school teachers and assistants, and for other purposes.		
10136	Wheat Marketing (Home Consumption Price) Act amends the <i>Wheat Marketing Act</i> 1979 with respect to the home consumption price of wheat, and for other purposes.		
10137	Canned Fruits Marketing (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Canned Fruits Marketing Act</i> 1979, and for other purposes.		

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	Fund for recurrent services and for certain works and purposes for the financial years 1984-85 and appropriates the supplies granted in this session of Parliament, and for other purposes.		
10152	Penalties and Sentences (Amendment) Act restricts the power of courts to impose sentences of imprisonment, requires courts to take into consideration the means of an offender in determining the amount of a fine, provides for the payment of fines by instalments, amends the <i>Crimes Act 1958</i> , the <i>Community Welfare Services Act 1970</i> , the <i>Magistrates (Summary Proceedings) Act 1975</i> and the <i>Penalties and Sentences Act 1981</i> , and for other purposes.	10162	Wheat Marketing Act relates to the marketing of wheat, repeals the <i>Wheat Marketing Act 1979</i> and certain other Acts, and for other purposes.
10153	South Yarra Project Act ratifies, validates, approves, and otherwise gives effect to an Agreement between the Premier of the State of Victoria, The South Yarra Project Pty Ltd, and the Mayor, Councillors and citizens of the City of Prahran with respect to the development of land at South Yarra, makes provision for certain matters in relation to that development, and for other purposes.	10163	Infertility (Medical Procedures) Act relates to the regulation of certain procedures for the alleviation of infertility or to assist conception, amends the <i>Human Tissue Act 1982</i> and the <i>Freedom of Information Act 1982</i> , prohibits agreements relating to surrogate motherhood, and for other purposes.
10154	Water (Miscellaneous Amendments) Act amends the <i>Mildura Irrigation Trusts and Sunraysia Water Board Act 1958</i> , and for other purposes.	10164	Extractive Industries (Amendment) Act amends the <i>Extractive Industries Act 1966</i> , the <i>Planning Appeals Board Act 1980</i> , and the <i>Mines Act 1958</i> , and for other purposes.
10155	Administrative Appeals Tribunal Act establishes an Administrative Appeals Tribunal, provides for review of certain decisions and amends the <i>Freedom of Information Act 1982</i> , the <i>Motor Accidents Act 1973</i> , the <i>Estate Agents Act 1980</i> , the <i>Criminal Injuries Compensation Act 1983</i> , the <i>Adoption Act 1984</i> , the <i>State Employees Retirement Benefits Act 1979</i> , and certain Acts relating to taxation, repeals the <i>Taxation Appeals Act 1972</i> , and for other purposes.	10165	Chinatown Historic Precinct Act provides for the operation, management, development, and promotion of Little Bourke Street, between Exhibition Street and Swanston Street, as the Chinatown Historic Precinct, establishes the Chinatown Historic Precinct Committee, amends the <i>Melbourne (Widening of Streets) Act 1940</i> , and for other purposes.
10156	Post-Secondary Education (Practical Placements) Act amends the <i>Post-Secondary Education Act 1978</i> and the <i>Workers Compensation Act 1958</i> , provides for the practical placement of students undergoing certain technical and further education programmes, and for other purposes.	10166	National Parks (Further Amendment) Act creates new parks, amends the <i>National Parks Act 1975</i> , the <i>National Parks (Amendment) Act 1984</i> and the <i>Forests Act 1958</i> , and for other purposes.
10157	National Crime Authority (State Provisions) Act makes provision for the operation of the National Crime Authority in Victoria, and for other purposes.	10167	Commercial Arbitration Act provides for the arbitration of certain disputes, repeals the <i>Arbitration Act 1958</i> , amends the <i>Legal Profession Practice Act 1958</i> and the <i>Supreme Court Act 1958</i> , makes certain consequential amendments to various other Acts, and for other purposes.
10158	Health (General Amendment) Act amends the <i>Health Act 1958</i> , and for other purposes.	10168	Trustee Companies Act re-enacts with amendments the law relating to trustee companies, repeals the <i>Trustee Companies Act 1958</i> , and for other purposes.
10159	Dangerous Goods (Road Transport) Act promotes the safety of persons and property in relation to the transport by road of dangerous goods, provides for the giving of effect to certain provisions of the Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail, amends the <i>Health Act 1958</i> , the <i>Explosives Act 1960</i> , the <i>Inflammable Liquids Act 1966</i> , the <i>Liquefied Gases Act 1968</i> , and the <i>Transport Act 1983</i> , and for other purposes.	10169	Subordinate Legislation (Review and Revocation) Act provides for adequate, effective and co-ordinated processes in the preparation and making of subordinate legislation which enable consultation, evaluation, and review of subordinate legislation, reduces the volume of subordinate legislation, ensures that there is adequate scrutiny of subordinate legislation, amends the <i>Subordinate Legislation Act 1962</i> and the <i>Parliamentary Committees Act 1968</i> , and for other purposes.
10160	Environment Protection (General Amendment) Act amends the <i>Environment Protection Act 1970</i> , the <i>Planning Appeals Board Act 1980</i> , the <i>Environment Protection (Review) Act 1984</i> , and for other purposes.	10170	Films (Classification) Act provides for the sale of films of different classifications, prohibits the sale of objectionable films and unclassified video films, amends the <i>Films Act 1971</i> and the <i>Police Offences Act 1958</i> , and for other purposes.
10161	Superannuation (Refund of Contributions)	10171	Dairy Industry Act re-enacts with amendments the law relating to the Victorian Dairy Industry, repeals the <i>Filled Milk Act 1958</i> , the <i>Milk and Dairy Supervision Act 1958</i> , the <i>Milk Board Act 1958</i> , the <i>Milk Pasteurization Act 1958</i> , the <i>Imitation Milk Act 1969</i> , the <i>Victorian Dairy Industry Authority Act 1977</i> , the <i>Dairy Products (Repeal) Act 1978</i> , and for other purposes.

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- A.2. Auditor-General – Report, December 1982.
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- A.4. Auditor-General – Report, June 1982. (Overview into Contract Procedures.)
- A.5. Departmental Financial Statements for the year 1981-1982.
- A.6. Auditor-General – Report, May 1983.
- A.7. Auditor-General – Second Report – Works Contracts Overview.
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- A.9. Departmental Financial Statements for the year 1982-1983.
- A.10. Auditor-General – Second Report for the year 1982-1983.
- A.11. Auditor-General – Third Report for the year 1982-1983.
- A.12. Finance 1983-84 – The Treasurer's Statement and Report of the Auditor-General for the year 1983-1984.
- A.13. Auditor-General – Fourth Report for the year 1982-1983.
- A.14. Auditor-General – Second Report for the year 1983-1984.
- A.15. Auditor-General – Report on Comprehensive Audits.

Messages from His Excellency the Governor:

- B.1. Estimates of the Receipts and Payments of the Consolidated Fund for the year 1982-83.
- B.2. Works Program – 1982-83.
- B.3. Estimates of Recurrent and Capital Receipts and Payments for the year 1983-84.

Reports from Select Committees:

- D.1. Statute Law Revision Committee – The Role of Upper Houses of Parliament (Interim Report).
- D.2. Public Bodies Review Committee – Future Structures for Water Management, Volume 2 – Final Report: Implementation Issues Arising from Regional and Local Structures for Urban Services.
- D.3. Public Bodies Review Committee – Future Structures for Water Management, Volume 3 – Final Report: The Central and Regional Management of the Water Industry.
- D.4. Salinity Committee – Progress Report on the Barr Creek Catchment, Mineral Reserve Basin and Lake Tyrrell Schemes.
- D.5. Legal and Constitutional Committee – Report on the Statute Law Revision (Repeals) Bill.
- D.6. Legal and Constitutional Committee – Report on the Statute Law Revision Bill.
- D.7. Social Development Committee – Report on Freeway Speed Limits.
- D.8. Social Development Committee – Interim Report on the Medical Practitioners (Private Hospitals) Bill.
- D.9. Economic and Budget Review Committee – Report on Dry Docking and Repair Facilities in the Port of Melbourne.
- D.10. Economic and Budget Review Committee – Report to Parliament on a review of the *Audit Act* 1958 – Improving Government Management and Accountability.
- D.11. Social Development Committee – Final Report on the Medical Practitioners (Private Hospitals) Bill.
- D.12. Natural Resources and Environment Committee – Report upon Radio Masts.
- D.13. Natural Resources and Environment Committee – First Report on Inquiry into Transmission Lines Serving Melbourne.
- D.14. Natural Resources and Environment Committee – Second Report on Inquiry into Transmission Lines Serving Melbourne.
- D.15. Salinity Committee – Second Report – Activities of the Salinity Committee.
- D.16. Social Development Committee – Interim Report upon Complaints Procedures against Health Services.
- D.17. Social Development Committee – Interim Report on Road Safety in Victoria.
- D.18. Economic and Budget Review Committee – Report on the Proposals Contained in the Local Authorities Superannuation (Amendment) Bill (No. 2).
- D.19. Economic and Budget Review Committee – Report on the Proposals contained in the State Employees Retirement Benefits (Amendment) Bill.
- D.20. Economic and Budget Review Committee – Report on the Proposals Contained in the Hospitals Superannuation (Amendment) Bill (No.2).
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- D.22. Natural Resources and Environment Committee – Report upon the proposed diversion of the Morwell River.
- D.23. Mortuary Industry and Cemeteries Administration Committee – First Report – Metropolitan Cemetery Land Needs and a Crematorium at Geelong.
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- D.37. Public Bodies Review Committee – Future Structures for Water Management, Volume 4 – Final Report: Irrigation and Water Resource Management.
- D.38. Mortuary Industry and Cemeteries Administration Committee – Second Report – The Administration of Cemeteries in Victoria.
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- No. 7. Soil Conservation Authority – Report for the year 1980-81.
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- No. 9. Registrar of Co-operative Societies – Report for the year 1980-81.
- No. 10. Department of Youth, Sport and Recreation – Report for the year 1980-81.
- No. 11. Public Service Board – Report for the year 1980-81.
- No. 12. Industrial Training Commission of Victoria – Report for the year 1980-81.
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- No. 38. Land Conservation Council – Report for the year 1981-82.
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- No. 50. Forests Commission – Report for the year 1981-82.
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- No. 54. Ombudsman – Report for the year 1981-82.
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VICTORIAN ELECTORAL SYSTEM

General

Electoral basis of the two Houses of Parliament

When first constituted, the Legislative Council or Upper House was composed of thirty members, aged thirty years and over and possessed of freehold land of the annual value of \$1,000. Property qualifications were abolished by the *Legislative Council Reform Act* 1950, and today the main qualification of Members and electors of the Legislative Council is the attainment of the age of eighteen years. A similar provision applies to the Legislative Assembly.

For Legislative Council purposes, Victoria is divided into twenty-two Electoral Provinces, each represented by two Members who will be elected for two terms of the Legislative Assembly – one in each Province retiring by rotation at each general election for the Legislative Assembly.

For Legislative Assembly purposes, Victoria is divided into eighty-eight Electoral Districts, each returning one Member. Members will be elected for four years, unless Parliament is dissolved in certain circumstances before this period.

Electoral redivision, 1983-84

The *Electoral Commission Act* 1982 established an Electoral Commission with the function of dividing the State of Victoria into Electoral Provinces for the Legislative Council and into Electoral Districts for the Legislative Assembly as often as is necessary from time to time with the object of establishing and maintaining Electoral Provinces of approximately equal enrolment and Electoral Districts of approximately equal enrolment.

Arising out of the *Electoral Commission Act* 1982, a redivision of Victoria for electoral purposes was carried out in 1983-84 on the following basis:

Legislative Assembly

The Electoral Commissioners were required to divide the State of Victoria into eighty-eight Electoral Districts for the Legislative Assembly of approximately equal enrolment. The average enrolment for the eighty-eight Electoral Districts created by the Electoral Commissioners was 28,754.

In dividing the State of Victoria into new Electoral Provinces and Electoral Districts, the Electoral Commissioners were required to take certain factors into consideration but the enrolment for an Electoral Province or an Electoral District was not to vary by more than ten per cent above or below the average enrolment.

Details of the new Electoral Provinces and Electoral Districts created by the Electoral Commissioners were contained in the Report of the Electoral Commission dated 19 March 1984, and the *Electoral Commission Act* 1982 provided that the new Electoral Provinces and Electoral Districts would come into force at the next Legislative Council periodical or general election or the next Legislative Assembly general election, respectively.

Legislative Council

The Electoral Commissioners were required to divide the State of Victoria into twenty-two Electoral Provinces for the Legislative Council of approximately equal enrolment with each Electoral Province consisting of four complete and contiguous Electoral Districts for the Legislative Assembly. The average enrolment for the twenty-two Electoral Provinces created by the Electoral Commissioners was 115,015.

Enrolment of electors

Every person aged eighteen years or over who is an Australian citizen and has lived in one subdivision for at least one month is entitled to enrol as an elector subject to certain disqualifications relating to imprisonment or being of unsound mind. Enrolment is compulsory. (Victorian legislation reducing the voting age to eighteen years became effective from 21 March, 1973.) Natural born or naturalised subjects of Her Majesty, who are not Australian citizens, who were enrolled within three months immediately before 26 January, 1984, retain their electoral enrolment.

Persons who do not qualify for enrolment only because they have not lived in one subdivision for at least one month may enrol under special categories. Claims for enrolment may also be made by persons aged seventeen years of age but they are not entitled to vote until they attain eighteen years of age.

The electoral rolls for the State are compiled by the Commonwealth electoral authorities under a joint Commonwealth-State arrangement, each Government paying half the cost of compilation. All Commonwealth and State Parliamentary elections in Victoria are conducted on the basis of these joint rolls.

The compilation of the rolls is aided by the fact that the respective Legislative Council Electoral Provinces and Legislative Assembly Electoral Districts, as well as the Commonwealth Electoral Divisions, are subdivided into 181 common subdivisions, which form the basic units for enrolment on the joint Commonwealth-State of Victoria rolls.

Number of enrolments on the joint rolls

Since 1924, when the Joint Rolls Arrangement was made between the Commonwealth and Victoria, the electoral rolls prepared and maintained by the Australian Electoral Commission have been used at all Commonwealth Parliamentary elections and elections for the Legislative Assembly of Victoria.

The *Legislative Council Reform Act* 1950, which came into effect on 1 November 1951, provided in substance for all electors for the Legislative Assembly to be automatically enrolled also for Legislative Council elections.

The Joint Rolls Arrangement was, therefore, appropriately amended and since 1952 the joint rolls have been used in Victoria for all Commonwealth and State Parliamentary elections.

ELECTORS ENROLLED ON JOINT ROLLS, VICTORIA, 30 JUNE

Year	Number of electors enrolled	Year	Number of electors enrolled
1975	2,176,732	1981	2,425,900
1976	2,264,222	1982	2,486,494
1977	2,301,695	1983	2,530,328
1978	2,307,786	1984	2,542,452
1979	2,371,637	1985	2,630,653
1980	2,372,063		

Types of elections in Victoria

There are four types of State parliamentary elections in Victoria:

(1) *Periodical election for the Legislative Council.* This means an election at which one-half of the Members of the Council (22) have to be elected. A periodical election will be held simultaneously with a general election for the Legislative Assembly. Members of the Legislative Council will be

elected for two terms of the Legislative Assembly, one-half of the Members retiring alternately at the expiration or dissolution of the Legislative Assembly. There are two Members for each Province.

(2) *General election for the Legislative Assembly.* This means an election at which all members of the Legislative Assembly have to be elected. Each Assembly will last for four years from the first meeting thereof, but may be dissolved earlier in certain circumstances by the Governor.

(3) *Simultaneous election.* This means a periodical election for the Legislative Council and a general election for the Legislative Assembly which are both held on the same day. The Assembly general elections and the Council periodical (or triennial) elections have been held at the same time since 1961.

(4) *By-election.* A by-election is an 'extraordinary' election held in an Electoral Province (Legislative Council) or an Electoral District (Legislative Assembly) because of the death, resignation, etc. of the current Member. The candidate elected at a by-election holds office for the remainder of the term for which the Member who was replaced was elected.

Conduct of elections

The election process is initiated by the issue of a Writ – the formal document issued on behalf of the Queen to the Chief Electoral Officer commanding that proceedings be commenced for the holding of elections to elect Members for each of the Legislative Council Provinces, or Legislative Assembly Electoral Districts, or for the holding of an election for one electorate to fill the vacancy for a Member for that electorate.

Writs for every periodical election of Members of the Council and for every general election of Members of the Assembly are issued by the Governor. A Writ for a Council by-election is issued by the President of the Legislative Council and a Writ for an Assembly by-election is issued by the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly.

The Writ specifies the date for the closing of the rolls for the election (or elections), the date by which nominations are to be lodged, and requires that, if the election (or elections) is contested, a poll is to be conducted on the date specified in the Writ. The Writ must be returned to whoever issued it by a stipulated date with the name of the new Member, or the names of the new Members, endorsed thereon.

Voting features of State elections

There is no plural voting at elections for either the Legislative Council or the Legislative Assembly. Provision for voting by post by electors who are ill or temporarily absent from their electorates, whether they are within Australia or not, is made at elections for both Houses, and there is also a system of 'absent' voting whereby any elector who is not able to record a vote within his/her own electorate is enabled to record a vote at any polling booth open in Victoria on the day of the poll. In addition, a method of so-called 'unenrolled voting' has been instituted, under which an elector whose name has been omitted from the official electoral rolls in error is enabled to record a vote upon making a prescribed declaration.

Voting at elections for both Houses is compulsory and is conducted under an adaptation of Ware's system of preferential voting.

This system of preferential voting at Victorian parliamentary elections was provided for by statute in 1911 for Legislative Assembly elections, in 1921 for Legislative Council triennial elections, and in 1936 for Legislative Council general elections following directly upon a dissolution of the Council in consequence of disagreements or deadlock between the two Houses. Under this system, as amended in 1984, a voter is asked to number the candidates in order of preference on the ballot-paper, the figure '1' being written opposite the name of the candidate who the elector wishes to be elected, and sequential figures (2, 3, 4 etc.) indicating the relative degree of preferences being written opposite the names of the other candidates. Where an elector has so indicated the order of preference for all candidates except one, the elector is deemed to have given the last contingent vote or preference to such candidate.

A ballot-paper will be accepted as formal, provided it is marked with the figure '1' opposite the name of one candidate and has other figures opposite the names of all the other candidates, or all the other candidates except one, and will not be rejected as informal merely because a figure, other than the figure '1', has been repeated or because there is a break in the numerical sequence. Any such ballot-paper will be accepted as formal and in any preference distribution will be distributed, if necessary, as far as possible.

Where only two candidates are involved the candidate who received an absolute majority (i.e. more than half the number of formal votes cast) is declared elected. Similarly, where there are more than

two candidates, if one of them receives an absolute majority on the count of first preferences that candidate is then declared elected.

Where no absolute majority is attained by a candidate at the count of the first preference votes, the candidate who has received the fewest first preference votes is declared defeated, and the ballot-papers of that candidate are examined and the second preferences allotted to the candidates to whom they relate. The process of excluding the candidate with the lowest number of votes and distributing the ballot-papers according to the preferences shown on them to the unexcluded or continuing candidates is followed until one candidate attains an absolute majority.

Areas of Provinces and Districts

The following tables show the areas of the Provinces of the Legislative Council and the Districts of the Legislative Assembly created by the redivision of 1983-84:

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, AREAS OF PROVINCES, VICTORIA
(square kilometres)

State Electoral Province	Area	State Electoral Province	Area
Ballarat	19,544.00	Melbourne North	109.40
Boronia	116.80	Melbourne West	841.90
Central Highlands	20,632.00	Monash	59.26
Chelsea	197.60	North Eastern	26,951.00
Doutta Galla	520.00	North Western	57,148.00
East Yarra	69.88	Nunawading	174.40
Eumemmerring	228.00	South Eastern	5,638.00
Geelong	1,624.00	Templestowe	155.10
Gippsland	41,173.00	Waverley	84.42
Higinbotham	66.40	Western	52,815.00
Jika Jika	85.64		
Melbourne	73.20	Total (a)	228,307.00

(a) The officially recognised 'land area' of the State is 227,600 square kilometres. The difference of 707 square kilometres between 'land' and 'electoral' area is due to the inclusion of coastal waters such as Western Port and Corner Inlet in the electoral descriptions.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, AREAS OF DISTRICTS, VICTORIA
(square kilometres)

State Electoral District	Area	State Electoral District	Area
Albert Park	24.40	Footscray	21.40
Ballarat North	1,411.00	Forest Hill	22.12
Ballarat South	2,719.00	Frankston North	41.80
Balwyn	16.93	Frankston South	40.66
Bellarine	367.80	Geelong	26.60
Benalla	13,936.00	Geelong North	478.10
Benambra	11,828.00	Gippsland East	28,983.00
Bendigo East	3,799.00	Gippsland South	7,143.00
Bendigo West	4,016.00	Gippsland West	3,118.00
Bennettswood	17.06	Gisborne	3,108.00
Bentleigh	16.25	Glen Waverley	23.15
Berwick	1,011.00	Greensborough	71.51
Box Hill	18.03	Hawthorn	14.99
Brighton	16.71	Ivanhoe	28.71
Broadmeadows	31.85	Keilor	159.30
Brunswick	12.81	Kew	20.61
Bulleen	28.88	Knox	31.21
Bundoora	29.36	Lowan	23,230.00
Burwood	17.35	Malvern	15.14
Carrum	92.19	Melbourne	30.75
Caulfield	13.59	Mentone	22.95
Clayton	25.50	Mildura	29,590.00
Coburg	18.44	Mitcham	21.74
Dandenong	19.60	Monbulk	170.00
Dandenong North	21.45	Mornington	910.00
Derrimut	297.70	Morwell	997.00
Doncaster	26.00	Murray Valley	5,925.00
Doveton	159.00	Narracan	4,050.00
Dromana	599.00	Niddrie	30.80
Essendon	15.34	Northcote	16.77
Evelyn	2,262.00	Oakleigh	15.47

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, AREAS OF DISTRICTS, VICTORIA — *continued*
(square kilometres)

State Electoral District	Area	State Electoral District	Area
Pascoe Vale	18.31	South Barwon	751.50
Polwarth	10,255.00	Springvale	27.95
Portland	14,350.00	Sunshine	30.80
Prahran	9.86	Swan Hill	19,743.00
Preston	19.11	Syndal	26.39
Reservoir	20.40	Thomastown	40.80
Richmond	14.30	Wantirna	40.32
Ringwood	31.83	Warrandyte	102.80
Ripon	12,306.00	Warrnambool	4,980.00
Rodney	7,277.00	Werribee	754.40
St Albans	32.20	Whittlesea	4,264.00
St Kilda	9.86	Williamstown	35.30
Sandringham	19.85		
Shepparton	1,921.00	Total (a)	228,307.00

(a) The officially recognised 'land area' of the State is 227,600 square kilometres. The difference of 707 square kilometres between 'land' and 'electoral' area is due to the inclusion of coastal waters such as Western Port and Corner Inlet in the electoral descriptions.

Parliamentary elections

Legislative Assembly

At the Legislative Assembly election held on 2 March, 1985, there were contests in all the eighty-eight Electoral Districts. In 29 of these contests, more than two candidates were engaged.

In 18 of these 29 contests the successful candidate had an absolute majority of the total first preferences recorded and consequently no distribution of further preferences was necessary. After the necessary distribution of second or subsequent preferences had been completed in the other 11 contests, the leading candidate on the first count was elected in 8 instances but was defeated in the remaining 3 instances.

The following table shows the voting in general elections held for the Legislative Assembly since 1955:

VOTING AT GENERAL ELECTIONS FOR THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, VICTORIA

Year of election	Contested Districts					
	Whole State	Votes recorded				Informal votes
		Electors enrolled	Electors enrolled	Number	Percentage of voters	Number
						Percentage of total votes recorded
1955	1,422,588	1,402,806	1,318,937	94.02	28,934	2.19
1958	1,478,065	1,478,065	1,392,813	94.23	24,760	1.78
1961	1,554,856	1,554,856	1,467,862	94.41	35,937	2.45
1964	1,635,311	1,635,311	1,543,778	94.40	35,631	2.31
1967	1,723,981	1,723,981	1,625,239	94.27	51,384	3.16
1970	1,827,595	1,827,595	1,728,362	94.57	55,141	3.19
1973	2,088,984	2,088,984	1,954,005	93.54	56,691	2.90
1976	2,267,282	2,267,282	2,101,414	92.68	53,417	2.54
1979	2,350,407	2,350,407	2,193,037	93.30	66,016	3.01
1982	2,453,642	2,453,642	2,305,773	93.97	60,272	2.61
1985	2,641,477	2,641,477	2,462,226	93.21	66,107	2.68

NOTE. Detailed statistics are available in publications issued by the Chief Electoral Officer for the State of Victoria.

The following table shows certain particulars of the representation in the Legislative Assembly in which general elections have been held since 1955:

PARLIAMENTARY REPRESENTATION IN THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, VICTORIA

Year of election	Number of Members of Legislative Assembly	Mean population (a)	Average population per member	Number of electors enrolled on date of election	Average number of electors per member	Proportion of persons enrolled to total population
						per cent
1955	66	2,520,481	38,189	1,422,588	21,554	56.4
1958	66	2,717,371	41,172	1,478,065	22,395	54.4

PARLIAMENTARY REPRESENTATION IN THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, VICTORIA — *continued*

Year of election	Number of Members of Legislative Assembly	Mean population (a)	Average population per member	Number of electors enrolled on date of election	Average number of electors per member	Proportion of persons enrolled to total population
1961	66	2,926,075	44,334	1,554,856	23,558	53.1
1964	66	3,105,685	47,056	1,635,311	24,777	52.7
1967	73	3,277,183	44,893	1,723,981	23,616	52.6
1970	73	3,450,523	47,267	1,827,595	25,036	53.0
1973	73	3,627,357	49,690	2,088,984	28,616	57.6
1976	81	3,747,510	46,266	2,267,282	27,991	60.5
1979	81	3,853,560	47,575	2,350,407	29,017	60.9
1982	81	3,971,000	49,025	2,453,642	30,292	61.8
1985	88	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	2,641,477	30,017	n.y.a.

(a) Calendar year.

Proportion of voters at elections

The first general election for the Legislative Assembly was held in 1856. The proportion of voters to electors of contested Districts at each of the general elections held until 1955 for the Legislative Assembly can be found on page 86 of the *Victorian Year Book* 1961.

A table setting out the number of members to be elected, the number of candidates, the total enrolment, the percentage of voters, and the percentage of informal votes for general elections for the Legislative Assembly held from 1934 to 1982 can be found on page 93 of the *Victorian Year Book* 1984.

Legislative Council

The Legislative Council consists of 44 members, representing 22 Provinces. Voting in elections held for the Legislative Council since 1955 is shown in the following table. At the triennial election held on 2 March 1985, there were contests in all Provinces and in 17 of them more than 2 candidates were engaged.

In 7 of these 17 contests the successful candidate had an absolute majority of the total first preferences recorded and consequently no distribution of further preferences was necessary. After the necessary distribution of second or subsequent preferences had been completed in the other 10 contests, the leading candidate, on the first count, was elected in 6 instances but was defeated in the remaining 4 instances.

VOTING AT PERIODICAL ELECTIONS FOR THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, VICTORIA

Year of election	Contested Provinces					
	Whole State		Votes recorded		Informal votes	
	Electors enrolled	Electors enrolled	Number	Percentage of voters	Number	Percentage of total votes recorded
1955	1,430,130	1,216,010	1,112,951	91.52	23,189	2.08
1958	1,488,293	1,387,097	1,283,665	92.54	22,085	1.72
1961	1,554,856	1,554,856	1,467,482	94.38	46,697	3.18
1964	1,635,311	1,635,311	1,543,584	94.39	45,627	2.96
1967	1,723,981	1,723,981	1,625,371	94.28	59,895	3.69
1970	1,827,595	1,827,595	1,726,725	94.48	67,710	3.92
1973	2,088,984	2,088,984	1,953,462	93.51	74,354	3.81
1976	2,267,282	2,267,282	2,102,674	92.74	65,997	3.14
1979	2,350,407	2,350,407	2,191,128	93.22	77,361	3.53
1982	2,453,642	2,453,642	2,302,973	93.86	72,169	3.13
1985	2,641,477	2,641,477	2,461,708	93.19	74,202	3.01

NOTE. Detailed statistics are available in publications issued by the Chief Electoral Officer for the State of Victoria.

A table setting out the number of members to be elected, the number of candidates, the total enrolment, the percentage of voters, and the percentage of informal votes for periodical elections for the Legislative Council held from 1935 to 1982 can be found on page 93 of the *Victorian Year Book* 1984.

Further reference: Victorian electoral system, *Victorian Year Book*, 1984, pp. 90-3

VICTORIAN REPRESENTATION IN THE COMMONWEALTH PARLIAMENT

Constitutional provisions*General*

The Commonwealth Parliament consists of the Queen, the Senate, and the House of Representatives. In Australia the Queen is represented by the Governor-General.

Senate

The founders of the Commonwealth Constitution had in mind that the Senate should give expression to the interests of the States as partners in the Federation; in other words, the Senate should be a States' house. Accordingly, the proportional representation suggested by the varying populations of the States was disregarded, and it was provided that each State should be represented by six Senators; the first Senate in the first Parliament comprised thirty-six members of whom six represented Victoria. The numbers remained unchanged until the *Commonwealth Representation Act* 1948 when each State became eligible to elect ten Senators. In 1973, the number of Senators was further increased by the Senate (Representation of Territories) Act which provided for the Australian Capital Territory and the Northern Territory to be each represented by two Senators. The term of office of these four Senators expires upon the dissolution of the House of Representatives.

The *Representation Act* 1983 increased the number of Senators for the States to seventy-two (12 for each State) with effect from the first meeting of the 34th Parliament.

The Senate was also envisaged as a house of review and accordingly continuity of membership was provided by requiring only one-half of the Senate to retire every three years, and for each Senator's term to be six years. If the normal pattern of three-yearly rotational retirement is broken by a double dissolution of both Houses, section 13 of the Constitution provides that the Senate shall divide the Senators chosen for each State into two classes, as nearly equal in number as practicable, and the places of the Senators of the first class shall become vacant at the expiration of three years and the places of those of the second class at the expiration of six years. In dividing the Senators into classes the Senate has adopted the practice of placing the first six Senators elected in each State in the second class and the other six Senators elected in the first class. After a normal rotational election, Senators' terms commence from the first day of the following July; in the case of an election for the whole Senate, terms commence from the first day of July preceding the election.

House of Representatives

In designing the House of Representatives, the founders envisaged a legislative body representing the national interest and provided that the number of Members chosen in the several States must be in proportion to population, but that no original State should have less than five Members. The first House of Representatives in 1901 had seventy-five Members of whom twenty-three were elected in Victoria. The term of office was set as three years.

In 1948, the number of Senators was increased to ten for each State and as a consequence the number of Members in the House of Representatives was increased to 123 – although only 121 were elected from the States; the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory each had one Member with restricted voting powers. The Australian Capital Territory representation was increased to two in 1974 and the Members representing that Territory and the Member representing the Northern Territory now have full voting rights.

Electoral redistributions were undertaken in all States after the 1947, 1954, 1961, 1966, 1971, 1976, and 1981 population censuses. On 27 February 1984, the Commonwealth Electoral Commissioner certified that, pursuant to (the then) section 25 of the *Commonwealth Electoral Act* 1918, he had determined the number of Members of the House of Representatives to be chosen in the several States at a general election to be: New South Wales, 51; Victoria, 39; Queensland, 24; South Australia, 13; Western Australia, 13; and Tasmania, 5.

Representation of the Australian Capital Territory and Northern Territory was unchanged.

The following table shows the state of the House of Representatives at various election years:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, MEMBERSHIP, AUSTRALIA

Year	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T. (a)	A.C.T. (b)	Total
1948	28	20	10	6	5	5	1	..	75
1949 (c)	47	33	18	10	8	5	1	1	123
1950 (c)	46	33	18	11	9	5	1	1	124
1969 (c)	45	34	18	12	9	5	1	1	125
1974	45	34	18	12	10	5	1	2	127
1975	45	34	18	12	10	5	1	2	127
1977 (c)	43	33	19	11	10	5	1	2	124
1980 (d)	43	33	19	11	11	5	1	2	125
1983	43	33	19	11	11	5	1	2	125
1984 (c)	51	39	24	13	13	5	1	2	148

(a) Representative in House since 1922; full voting rights granted in 1968.

(b) Representative in House since 1949; full voting rights granted in 1966.

(c) Election following an electoral redistribution.

(d) Election following an electoral redistribution in W.A. only.

Elections

Qualifications of voters for Commonwealth Government elections

An elector on a Commonwealth roll is required by law to vote both in elections for the House of Representatives and for the Senate. An elector is any person, male or female, who has attained eighteen years of age and who is an Australian citizen, or a British subject who was enrolled as an elector on 25 January 1984.

Qualifications of candidates – either House of the Commonwealth Parliament

Qualifications necessary for candidature for either House of the Commonwealth Parliament are possessed by any Australian citizen 18 years of age or over, who is, or who is qualified to become, a Commonwealth elector.

The term of office for a Member of the House of Representatives is three years unless the House is dissolved earlier by the Governor-General.

Disqualification as elector or Member

Grounds for disqualification as an elector include being of unsound mind, or being convicted and under sentence for offences punishable by imprisonment for five years or longer. Grounds for disqualification as a Member of either House include these prohibitions and also the following: membership of the other House, being an undischarged bankrupt or insolvent, holding an office of profit under the Crown (with certain exceptions), or having a pecuniary interest in any agreement with the Commonwealth Public Service except as a member of an incorporated company of more than twenty-five persons.

Elections for the Senate

In Senate elections each State is an electorate. Electors are required to cast a vote by indicating the order of their preference for candidates standing within the State, and the election of Members is carried out in accordance with the principles of proportional representation by the single transferable vote.

The provisions for the filling of vacancies in the Senate are now as follows:

'If the place of a Senator becomes vacant before the expiration of his term of service, the Houses of Parliament of the State for which he was chosen, sitting and voting together, or, if there is only one House of that Parliament, that House, shall choose a person to hold the place until the expiration of the term. But if the Parliament of the State is not in session when the vacancy is notified, the Governor of the State, with the advice of the Executive Council thereof, may appoint a person to hold the place until the expiration of fourteen days from the beginning of the next session of the Parliament of the State or the expiration of the term, whichever first happens.

'Where a vacancy has at any time occurred in the place of a Senator chosen by the people of a State and, at the time when he was so chosen, he was publicly recognised by a particular political party as being an endorsed candidate of that party and publicly represented himself to be such a candidate, a person chosen or appointed under this section in consequence of that vacancy, or in consequence of that vacancy and a subsequent vacancy or vacancies, shall, unless there is no member of that party available to be chosen or appointed, be a member of that party.

'Where (a) in accordance with the last preceding paragraph, a member of a particular political party is chosen or appointed to hold the place of a Senator whose place had become vacant; and (b) before taking his seat he ceases to be a member of that party (otherwise than by reason of the party having ceased to exist), he shall be deemed not to have been so chosen or appointed and the vacancy shall be again notified in accordance with section twenty-one of this Commonwealth Constitution.

'The name of any Senator chosen or appointed under this section shall be certified by the Governor of the State to the Governor-General.'

The following table lists the Senators for Victoria at 1 July 1985 together with the party affiliation and year of retirement of each Senator. Political party affiliations are indicated thus:

(AD) Australian Democrats

(ALP) Australian Labor Party

(LP) Liberal Party of Australia

(NP) National Party of Australia

VICTORIAN SENATE MEMBERS AT 1 JULY 1985

Senator	Retires
Button, Hon. John Norman (ALP)	1988
Chipp, Hon. Donald Leslie (AD)	1988
Cooney, Barney (ALP)	1991
Evans, Hon. Gareth John (ALP)	1988
Guilfoyle, Hon. Dame Margaret Georgina Constance (LP)	1988
Hamer, David John, (LP)	1991
Lewis, Austin William Russell (LP)	1988
Missen, Alan Joseph (LP)	1991
Ray, Robert Francis (ALP)	1991
Short, James Robert (LP)	1991
Siddons, John Royston (AD)	1988
Zakharov, Alice Olive (ALP)	1991

Elections for the House of Representatives

Australia is divided into 148 single-Member Divisions and electors are required to cast a vote by indicating the order of their preference for candidates standing within the Division. Election of Members is carried out in accordance with the principles of the absolute majority through use of the alternative vote. If a vacancy occurs in the House of Representatives, it is filled by holding a by-election in the electorate concerned. The last general election was held on 1 December 1984.

The following table lists the Victorian Members of the House of Representatives elected on 1 December 1984 together with the party affiliation and electorate of each Member:

VICTORIAN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES MEMBERS ELECTED ON 1 DECEMBER 1984

Member	Division
Aldred, Kenneth James (LP)	Bruce
Beale, Julian Howard (LP)	Deakin
Brown, Hon. Neil Anthony (LP)	Menzies
Brumby, John Mansfield (ALP)	Bendigo
Cameron, Ewen Colin (LP)	Indi
Charles, David Ernest (ALP)	Isaacs
Child, Joan (ALP)	Henty
Chynoweth, Robert Leslie (ALP)	Dunkley
Cleeland, Peter Robert (ALP)	McEwen
Cunningham, Barry Thomas (ALP)	McMillan
Duffy, Hon. Michael John (ALP)	Holt
Fisher, Peter Stanley (NP)	Mallee
Griffiths, Alan Gordon (ALP)	Maribymong
Halverson, Robert George (LP)	Casey
Hand, Gerard Leslie (ALP)	Melbourne
Hawke, Rt. Hon. Robert James Lee (ALP)	Wills
Hawker, David Peter (LP)	Wannon
Holding, Hon. Allan Clyde (ALP)	Melbourne Ports
Howe, Hon. Brian Leslie (ALP)	Batman
Jenkins, Hon. Dr Henry Alfred (ALP)	Scullin
Jones, Hon. Barry Owen (ALP)	Lalor
Kent, Lewis (ALP)	Hotham

VICTORIAN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES MEMBERS ELECTED
ON 1 DECEMBER 1984 – *continued*

<i>Member</i>	<i>Division</i>
Lamb, Anthony Hamilton (ALP)	Streeton
Lloyd, Bruce (NP)	Murray
McArthur, Fergus Stewart (LP)	Corangamite
McGauran, Peter John (NP)	Gippsland
Macphee, Hon. Ian Malcolm (LP)	Goldstein
Mayer, Helen (ALP)	Chisholm
Mildren, Peter (ALP)	Ballarat
Milton, Peter (ALP)	La Trobe
O'Keefe, Neil Patrick (ALP)	Burke
Peacock, Hon. Andrew Sharp (LP)	Kooyong
Reith, Peter Keaston (LP)	Flinders
Saunderson, John (ALP)	Aston
Scholes, Hon. Gordon Glen (ALP)	Corio
Shipton, Roger Francis (LP)	Higgins
Staples, Peter Richard (ALP)	Jagajaga
Theophanous, Dr Andrew Charles (ALP)	Calwell
Willis, Hon. Ralph (ALP)	Gellibrand

Redistribution of electoral boundaries in Victoria, 1984

The Commonwealth Electoral Act makes provision for the periodic redrawing of the boundaries of House of Representatives Electoral Divisions in a State as directed by the Electoral Commission. Early in 1984, redistributions were directed in all States and the Australian Capital Territory, following the Commonwealth Electoral Commissioner's determination of the number of Members of the House of Representatives to be chosen in each State at a general election.

The redistribution process has a number of stages. Initially, a Redistribution Committee of four, chaired by the Electoral Commissioner, is set up. This Committee has the task of producing a proposed set of boundaries and names of Electoral Divisions. Before this is done, however, any interested persons or bodies who have suggestions to make regarding the redistribution, and in particular possible boundaries or names of Divisions are given thirty days to put them forward, in writing, to the Redistribution Committee. The suggestions are then made available for public comments, which must be lodged in writing within fourteen days. The Committee considers the suggestions and comments before making a proposed redistribution.

Maps showing the proposed boundaries and names are then posted at Offices of the Electoral Commission, and Post Offices, and there are fourteen days within which objections to the proposed redistribution may be lodged by members of the public, or organisations. Such objections are then examined, generally at an open inquiry, by an augmented Electoral Commission. The augmented Electoral Commission in each State and the Australian Capital Territory comprises the members of the relevant Redistribution Committee sitting together with the Chairman of the Australian Electoral Commission and the third Commissioner. After it has considered all the objections lodged, the augmented Electoral Commission makes a final determination of the names and boundaries of the Electoral Divisions in the State.

In making its proposed redistribution, a redistribution committee is bound by the *Commonwealth Electoral Act* 1918, section 66(3), which states:

'In making the proposed redistribution, the Redistribution Committee –

(a) shall, as far as practicable, endeavour to ensure that, 3 years and 6 months after the State or Territory has been redistributed, the number of electors enrolled in each proposed Electoral Division in the State or Territory will be equal; and

(b) subject to paragraph (a), shall give due consideration, in relation to each proposed Electoral Division, to –

(i) community of interests within the proposed Electoral Division, including economic, social and regional interests;

(ii) means of communication and travel within the proposed Electoral Division;

(iii) the trend of population changes within the State or Territory;

(iv) the physical features and area of the proposed Electoral Division; and

(v) the boundaries of existing Divisions in the State or Territory.'

The Redistribution Committee for Victoria was also required to ensure that no proposed Division would have in it a number of electors which differed from the State average enrolment, calculated at 19 April 1984, by more than ten per cent.

The augmented Electoral Commission for the State of Victoria completed its work in September, 1984; its determination was published in the *Commonwealth of Australia Gazette* on 14 September 1984. Victoria was distributed into the thirty-nine Electoral Divisions listed in the following table:

COMMONWEALTH ELECTORAL DIVISIONS, VICTORIA, 1984

Aston	Corio	Hotham	Maribyrnong
Ballarat	Deakin	Indi	Melbourne
Batman	Dunkley	Isaacs	Melbourne Ports
Bendigo	Flinders	Jagajaga	Menzies
Bruce	Gellibrand	Kooyong	Murray
Burke	Gippsland	Lalor	Scullin
Calwell	Goldstein	La Trobe	Streeton
Casey	Henty	McEwen	Wannon
Chisholm	Higgins	McMillan	Wills
Corangamite	Holt	Mallee	

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