

# AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY.

No. 15 of 1956.

## AN ORDINANCE

### To amend the *Money Lenders Ordinance 1936-1938*.

I, THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL in and over the Commonwealth of Australia, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, hereby make the following Ordinance under the *Seat of Government (Administration) Act 1910-1955*.

Dated this twenty-first day of December, 1956.

W. J. SLIM

Governor-General.

By His Excellency's Command,

NEIL O'SULLIVAN

for and on behalf of the Minister of State  
for the Interior.

### MONEY LENDERS ORDINANCE 1956.\*

1.—(1.) This Ordinance may be cited as the *Money Lenders Ordinance 1956*.\* Short title and citation

(2.) The *Money Lenders Ordinance 1936-1938*† is in this Ordinance referred to as the Principal Ordinance.

(3.) The Principal Ordinance, as amended by this Ordinance, may be cited as the *Money Lenders Ordinance 1936-1956*.

2. Section four of the Principal Ordinance is amended by adding, after the definition of "money lender", the following definition:—

"'the Registrar' means the Registrar of Business-Names appointed under the *Business Names Ordinance 1956*."

3. Section nine of the Principal Ordinance is repealed and the following sections inserted in its stead:—

"9. A person shall not carry on the business of a money lender unless he is registered as a money lender under this Ordinance. Money lenders to be registered.

Penalty: Two hundred pounds.

\* Notified in the *Commonwealth Gazette* on 24th December, 1956.

† Ordinance No. 13 of 1936, as amended by Nos. 3 and 29 of 1938.  
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Application for  
Registration.

"9A.—(1.) An application for registration as a money lender shall be made by forwarding to the Registrar a statement setting out—

- (a) the name of the applicant;
- (b) the name under which the applicant intends to carry on business as a money lender; and
- (c) the address or addresses at which the applicant intends to carry on business as a money lender.

"(2.) An application for registration as a money lender shall be accompanied by a fee of Ten pounds and—

- (a) in the case of an application by an individual—a certificate signed by the Commissioner of Police that the applicant is of good character and is a fit and proper person to be so registered; or
- (b) in the case of an application by a company—a certificate signed by the Commissioner of Police that the persons responsible for the management of the company are of good character.

"(3.) Where a person applies to the Commissioner of Police for a certificate referred to in the last preceding sub-section, the Commissioner may, in his discretion, issue the certificate or refuse to issue the certificate—

- (a) in the case of an application by an individual—where he is of opinion that the applicant is not of good character and a fit and proper person to be so registered; or
- (b) in the case of an application by a company—where he is of the opinion that the persons responsible for the management of the company are not of good character.

Registration  
by Registrar.

"9B. The Registrar shall upon receipt of an application enter the particulars of the applicant contained in the application in the register and the applicant shall thereupon be deemed to be registered.

Register.

"9C.—(1.) The Registrar shall keep a register to be known as the Register of Money Lenders in which the registration of all money lenders shall be entered.

"(2.) The register shall be open for inspection by any person on payment of a fee of Two shillings and sixpence.

Term of, and  
renewal of,  
registration.

"9D. The registration of a money lender shall cease to have effect at the expiration of one year from the date of registration, but may be renewed from time to time by the Registrar if an application for renewal, together with a renewal fee of Five pounds, is received by the Registrar before the date of expiration of the registration, and if renewed shall have effect for one year from the date of renewal."

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