Regions Ordinance 1995 Amendment Ordinance 2023

No 7, 2023

Long Title

An Ordinance to amend the Regions Ordinance 1995.

The Standing Committee of the Synod of the Diocese of Sydney Ordains as follows.

1. Name of ordinance

This Ordinance is the Regions Ordinance 1995 Amendment Ordinance 2023.

2. Amendment

The Regions Ordinance 1995 is amended as follows -

- (a) insert a new subclause 4(1)(b) as follows (and consequentially renumber the existing subclause (b) and remaining subclauses) -
 - "(b) the Regional Archdeacon or Regional Executive Assistant;", and
- (b) in the renumbered subclause 4(1)(e), replace the matter "paragraphs (b) and (c)" with the matter "paragraphs (c) and (d)", and
- (c) in the renumbered subclause 4(1)(e) replace the matter "paragraphs (b), (c), and (d)" with the matter "paragraphs (c), (d), and (e)", and
- (d) in subclause 4(2), delete the matter "(1)(b) and (c)" and replace with the matter "(1)(c) and (d)", and
- (e) in subclause 4(2A), delete the matter "1(d)", and replace with the matter "(1)(e)", and
- (f) in subclause 4(4), delete the matter "(1)(b) and (c)" and replace with the matter "(1)(c) and (d)", and
- (g) delete subclause 4(4)(b), and insert instead the following
 - "(b) by an online ballot, and in such case -
 - (i) the ballot is to allow the Regional Electors to indicate the name of the person or names of each of the persons for whom the member wishes to vote, preserving as far as reasonable the anonymity of the Regional Elector, while providing only one vote per Regional Elector,
 - (ii) the notice of the election is to be sent as soon as practicable after the creation of that Region, and
 - (iii) the subsequent time frames for the election are to correspond to those that apply to a ballot held before the first appointed day of a session of the Synod.", and
- (h) delete the unnumbered paragraph immediately following subclause 4(4); and
- (i) insert a new subclause 4(5) as follows (and consequentially renumber the existing subclause 4(5) as 4(6)) –

"Subject to this Ordinance, a person referred to in paragraphs (1)(c) or (d) holds office until the first day of the first ordinary session of the next Synod.", and

- (j) in subclause 5(1), delete the matter "4(1)(b) or (c)" and replace with the matter "4(1)(c) or (d)", and
- (k) in subclause 5(1)(e), after the matter "Mission Area in the Region", insert the matter ", except where this arises as a result of an alteration to the boundaries of the Region", and
- (I) in subclause 5(1A), delete the matter "4(1)(d)" and replace with the matter "4(1)(e)".

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

P COLGAN Chair of Committee

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I Certify that this Ordinance was passed by the Standing Committee of the Synod of the Diocese of Sydney on 22 May 2023.

B BOUNDS Secretary

I Assent to this Ordinance.

KANISHKA RAFFEL Archbishop of Sydney

22/05/2023