Synod Funding Arrangements Amendment Ordinance 2021

No , 2021

Long Title

An Ordinance to amend the *Synod Estimates Ordinance 1998* and the *Cost Recoveries Framework Ordinance 2008* to make special arrangements for Synod funding for the 52nd and 53rd Synods.

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

1. Name of ordinance

This Ordinance is the Synod Funding Arrangements Amendment Ordinance 2021.

2. Amendment to the Synod Estimates Ordinance 1998

The Synod Estimates Ordinance 1998 is amended as follows -

- (a) substitute the text in clause 4(a) with the following -
 - "(a) the Standing Committee must prepare for the third ordinary session of the 52nd Synod a statement of funding principles and priorities for the period 2024 to 2027 to guide the estimates referred to in subclause 4(d) and future estimates for the period 2025 to 2027;",
- (b) in clause 4(c) omit the words "prepare for the second ordinary session a proposed ordinance" and insert the following words instead –

"pass an ordinance during 2021",

- (c) in clause 4(d) omit the matter "and 2024 financial years of" and insert instead "financial year of",
- (d) insert a new clause 5 (and renumber the existing clause 5 as clause 6) -

"5. Additional requirement for the 53rd Synod

In addition to the requirements in clause 3, the Standing Committee is to also prepare for first session of the 53rd Synod a proposed ordinance which contains estimates for the 2024 financial year of -

- (a) the amount required for meeting the cost of the sitting or sittings of the Synod, the maintenance of the diocesan offices and the expenses of such other diocesan activities and commitments as, in the opinion of the Standing Committee, should be supported;
- (b) the amount which, in the opinion of the Standing Committee, should be granted to organisations under the control of Synod or to other organisations; and
- (c) the amount available for distribution from endowments or other trusts for meeting the amounts referred to in paragraphs (a) and (b) which, in the opinion of the Standing Committee, may prudently be applied towards meeting the amounts referred to in paragraphs (a) and (b) in the relevant financial year.", and
- (e) in the renumbered clause 6, substitute the last instance of the word "the" with the word "any".

3. Amendment to Cost Recoveries Framework Ordinance 2008

The Cost Recoveries Framework Ordinance 2008 is amended as follows -

- (a) in clause 5(4) insert the words "and 5B" before the full stop,
- (b) omit the text in clause 5A(a) and insert the following instead -

"instead of preparing a proposed ordinance for Synod under subclause 5(1), the Standing Committee is to pass the ordinance itself and the

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ordinance is to specify the cost recoveries charge for the 2022 financial year only, and",

- (c) in clause 5A(b) omit the matter "and 2024",
- (d) insert a new clause 5B as follows -

"5B. Special arrangements for the 53rd Synod

The requirements in clause 5 are modified in respect to the $53^{\rm rd}$ Synod to also require that the Standing Committee must prepare for the first ordinary session of the Synod a proposed ordinance for adoption by the Synod which -

- (a) specifies the cost recoveries charge in respect of ministry costs and parochial network costs to be paid by each parish in the 2024 financial year, or the method or methods by which such charge may be determined by the Standing Committee, and
- (b) authorises the Standing Committee to apply the cost recoveries charges paid by parishes in that financial year toward ministry costs and parochial network costs."

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

MICHAEL STEAD Deputy Chair of Committee

I Certify that this Ordinance was passed by the Standing Committee of the Synod of the Diocese of Sydney on 6 September 2021.

D GLYNN Secretary

I Assent to this Ordinance.

KNAISHKA RAFFEL Archbishop of Sydney

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